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# KNIGHT TERRORS: NIGHT'S END



DAWN OF  
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WILLIAMSON - PORTER - CAMUNCOLI  
HAIRSINE - NESI - BEREDO - MARTIN

13+  
TEEN



**A CITY-SPANNING CONFLICT THAT  
WILL CRACK THE BAT-FAMILY IN HALF!**

**BATMAN/CATWOMAN  
THE GOTHAM WAR**

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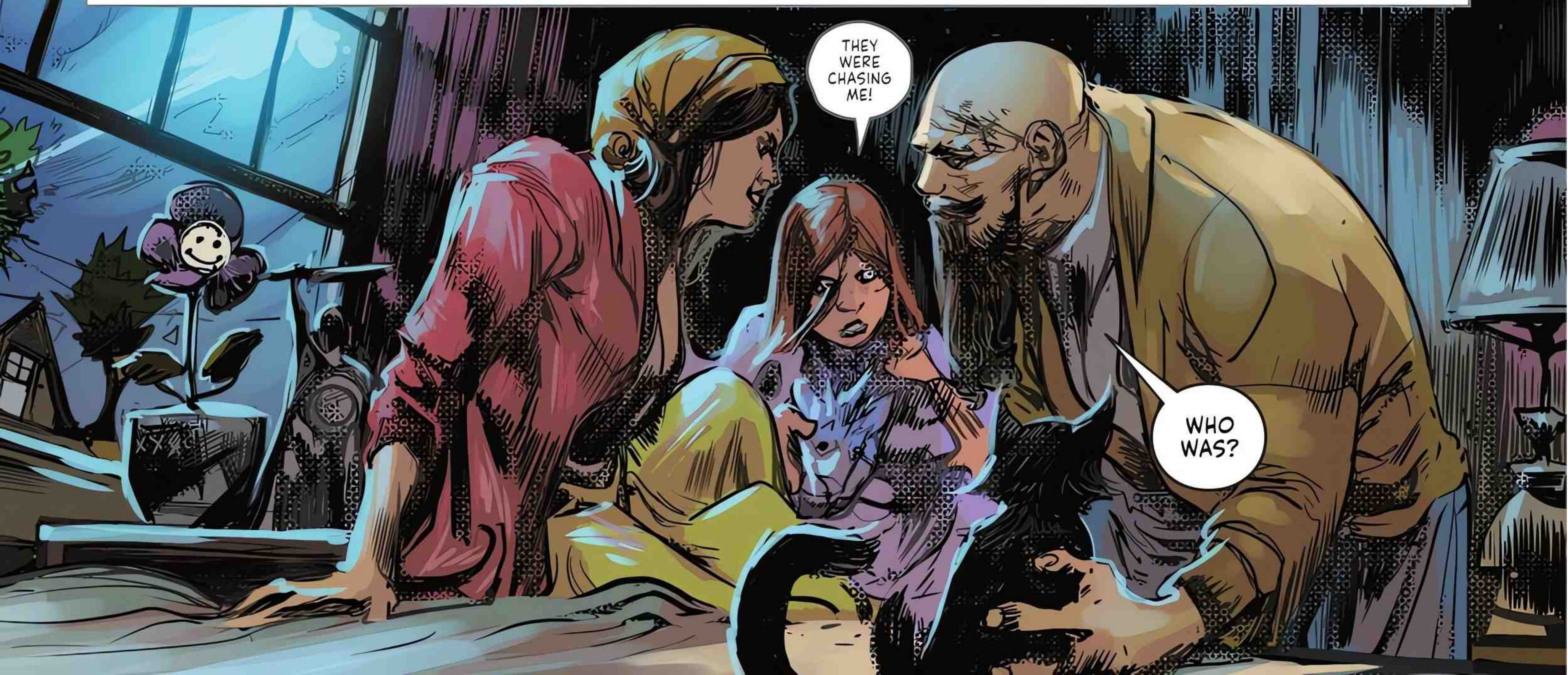
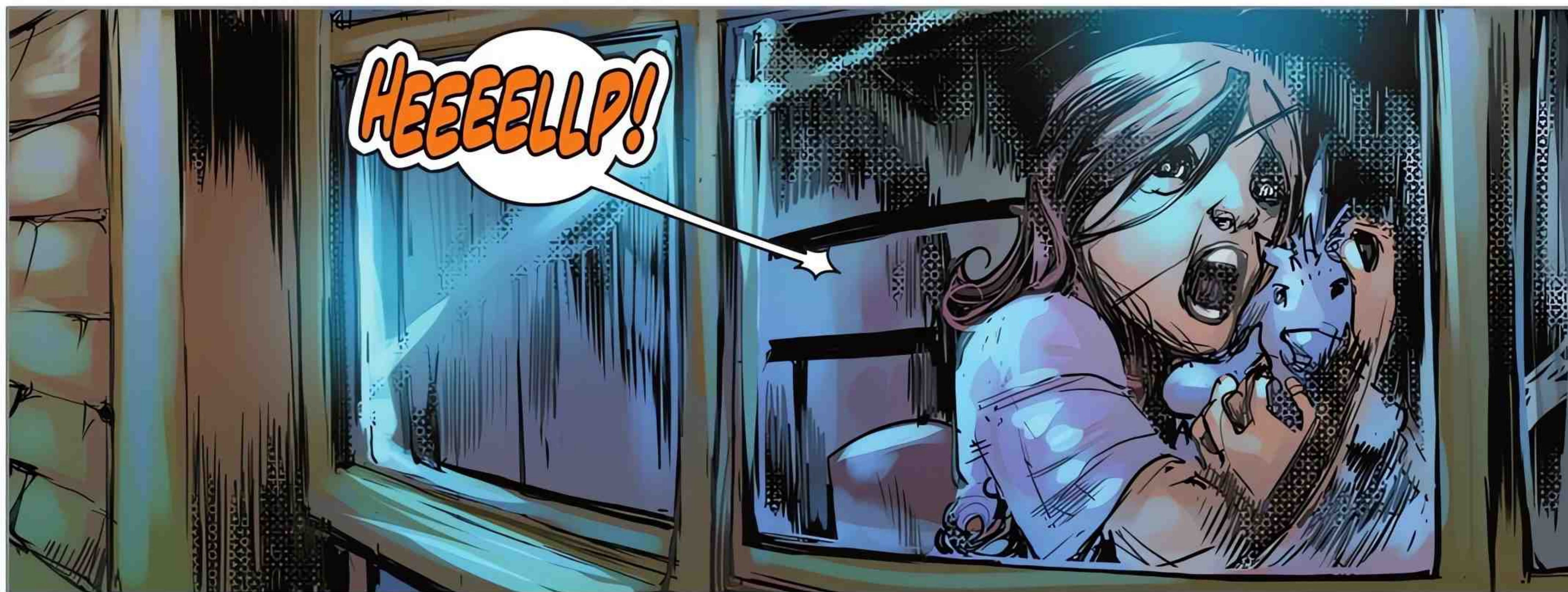


**THE TWO-MONTH  
BATTLE BEGINS  
IN AUGUST WITH  
BATMAN/CATWOMAN:  
THE GOTHAM WAR:  
BATTLE LINES #1**

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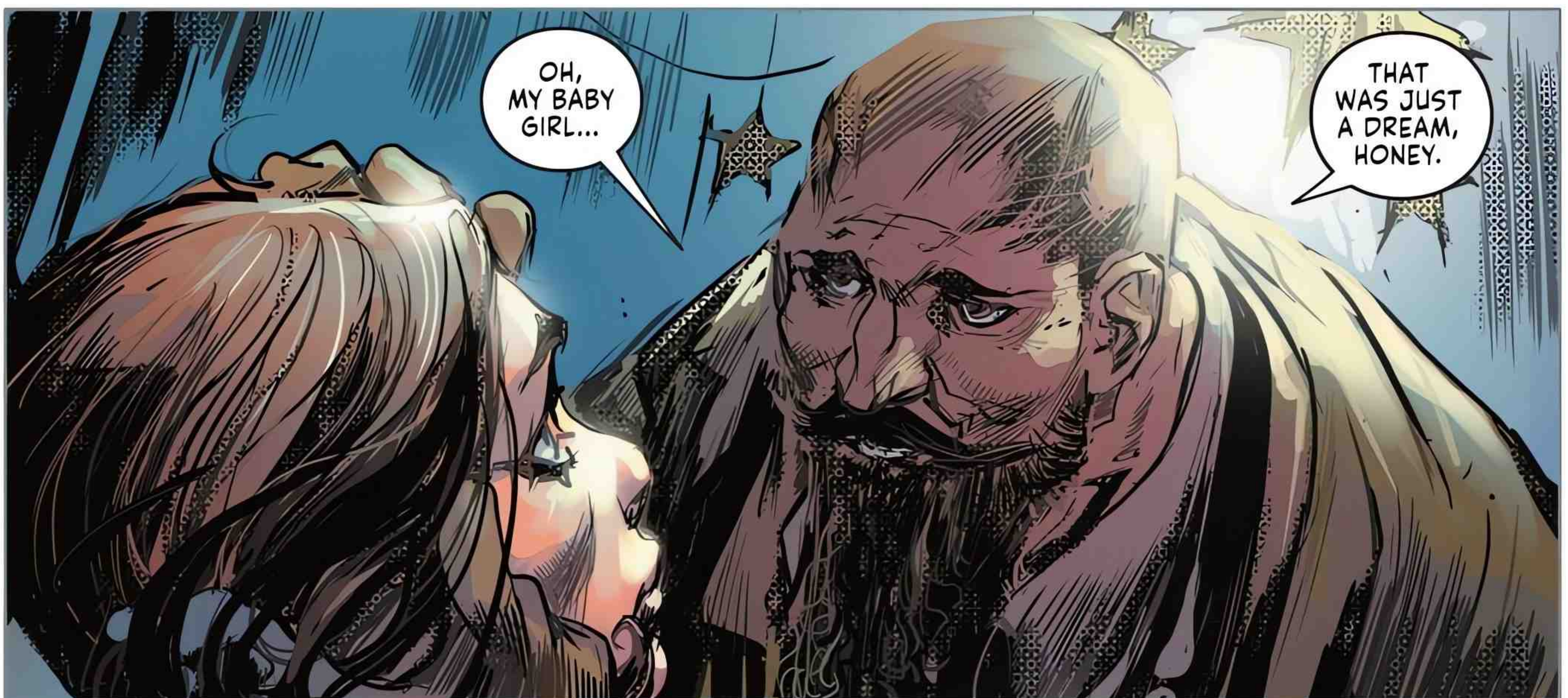




SUPERHEROES.

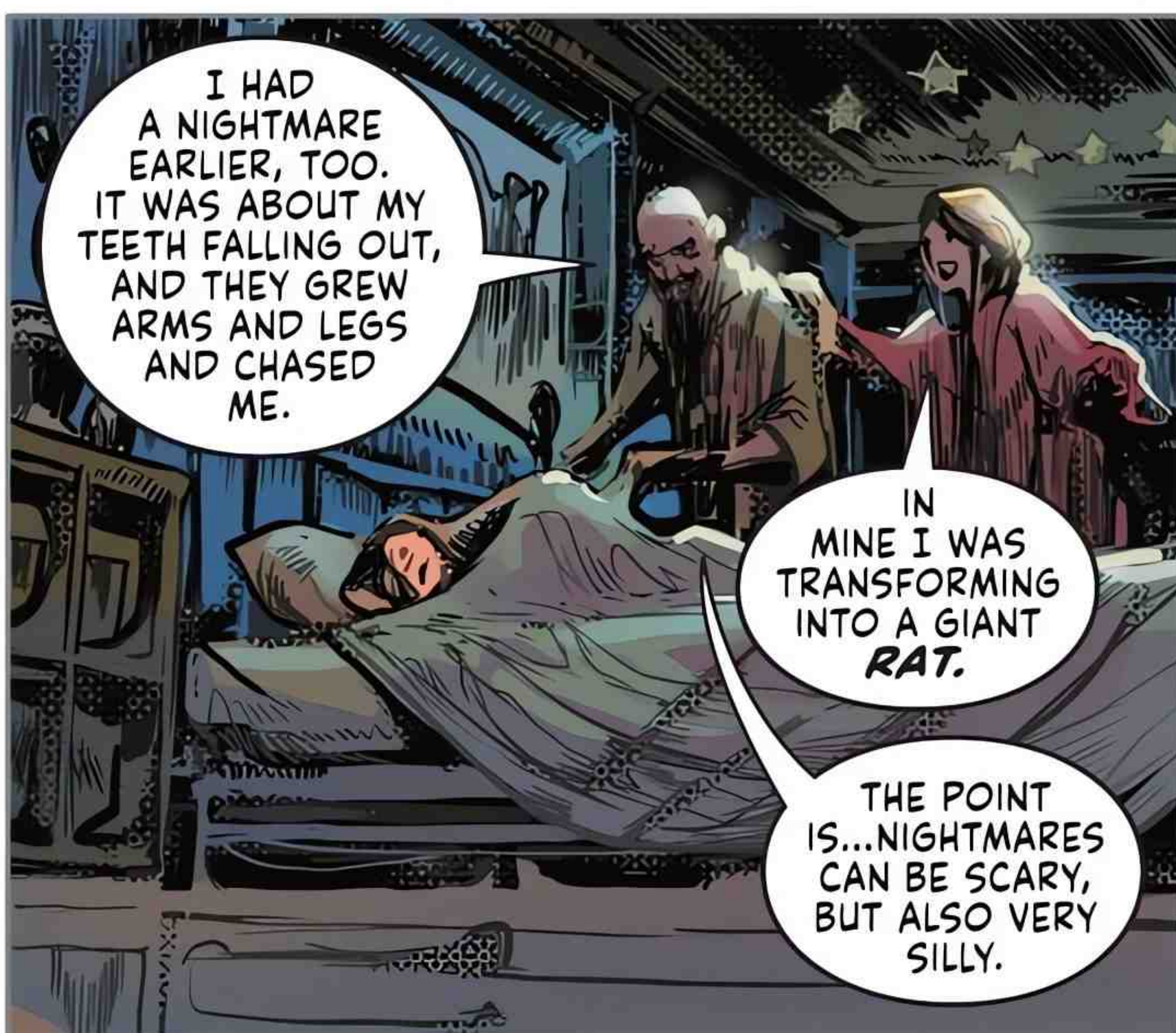
BATMAN,  
SUPERMAN,  
WONDER  
WOMAN...

THEY  
ALL LOOKED  
LIKE **MONSTERS**.  
HORRIBLE MONSTERS,  
AND THEY WERE  
CHASING ME. TRYING  
TO EAT ME.



OH,  
MY BABY  
GIRL...

THAT  
WAS JUST  
A DREAM,  
HONEY.



I HAD  
A NIGHTMARE  
EARLIER, TOO.  
IT WAS ABOUT MY  
TEETH FALLING OUT,  
AND THEY GREW  
ARMS AND LEGS  
AND CHASED  
ME.

IN  
MINE I WAS  
TRANSFORMING  
INTO A GIANT  
**RAT**.

THE POINT  
IS... NIGHTMARES  
CAN BE SCARY,  
BUT ALSO VERY  
SILLY.



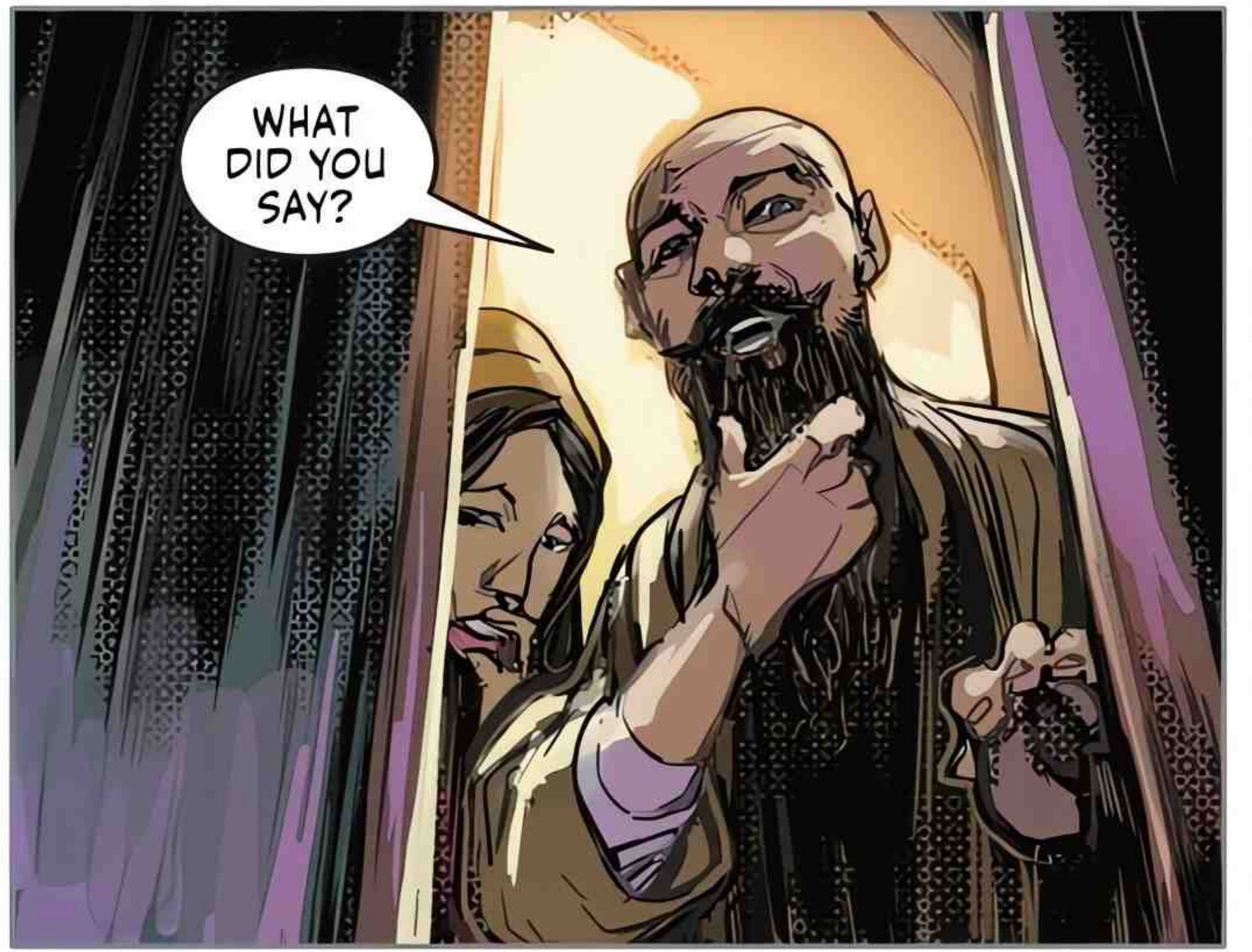
GOOD  
NIGHT, HONEY.  
GET SOME  
SLEEP.

LOVE  
YOU.

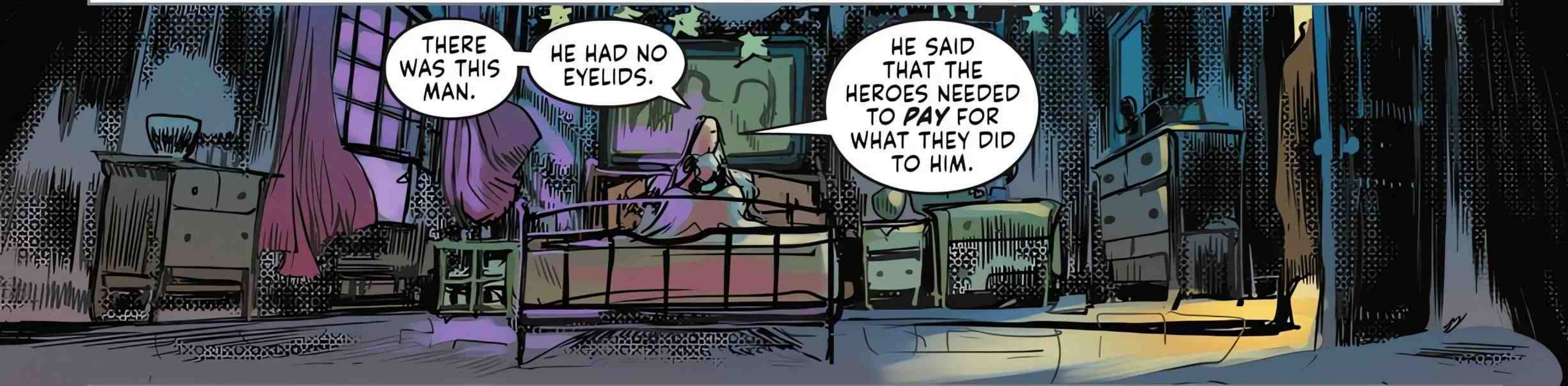




THERE WAS A MAN WITH NO EYELIDS, TOO.



WHAT DID YOU SAY?



THERE WAS THIS MAN.

HE HAD NO EYELIDS.

HE SAID THAT THE HEROES NEEDED TO *PAY* FOR WHAT THEY DID TO HIM.



I SAW SOMEONE IN MY DREAMS WHO HAD NO EYELIDS, TOO...



THIS...THIS IS NOTHING.

WE MUST HAVE ALL SEEN SOMETHING ON TV THAT STUCK WITH US.

THAT'S IT.



THERE IS NO MAN WITH NO EYELIDS, JUST LIKE NIGHTMARES ARE *NOT* REAL.



I PROMISE YOU, HONEY...





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...SUPERHEROES  
WOULD NEVER  
HURT YOU...

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SUPERMAN CREATED BY JERRY SIEGEL AND JOE SHUSTER  
BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE JERRY SIEGEL FAMILY





"ACROSS THE GLOBE, NIGHTMARES HAVE BEEN UNLEASHED."

"TAKING THE FORM OF THOSE WHO PEOPLE BELIEVED WOULD PROTECT THEM."

"THE HEROES WHO THEY THOUGHT WOULD BRING THEM *SAFETY*."

"AND YET THE REALITY IS ALL THEY'VE DONE IS BRING THEM MISERY."

"AND NOW..."



...WITH MY  
**NIGHTMARE  
STONE** I CAN  
MAKE THE WHOLE  
WORLD  
UNDERSTAND.

THEY  
WILL KNOW  
WHAT **I**  
KNOW.

PEOPLE  
WITH POWERS  
WHO DRESS UP  
IN COLORFUL  
COSTUMES ARE  
**SCARY.**

THEY  
WILL SEE WHAT  
THE SO-CALLED  
HEROES HAVE  
DONE TO ME AND  
FEAR THEM.

AND  
IT'S ALL  
THANKS TO  
**YOU...**







...BOSTON BRAND.

BUT I AM  
A MAN OF MY  
WORD.

YOU KEPT UP  
YOUR END OF THE  
BARGAIN AND  
BROUGHT ME THE  
NIGHTMARE  
STONE.



THERE  
WAS...NO  
DEAL.

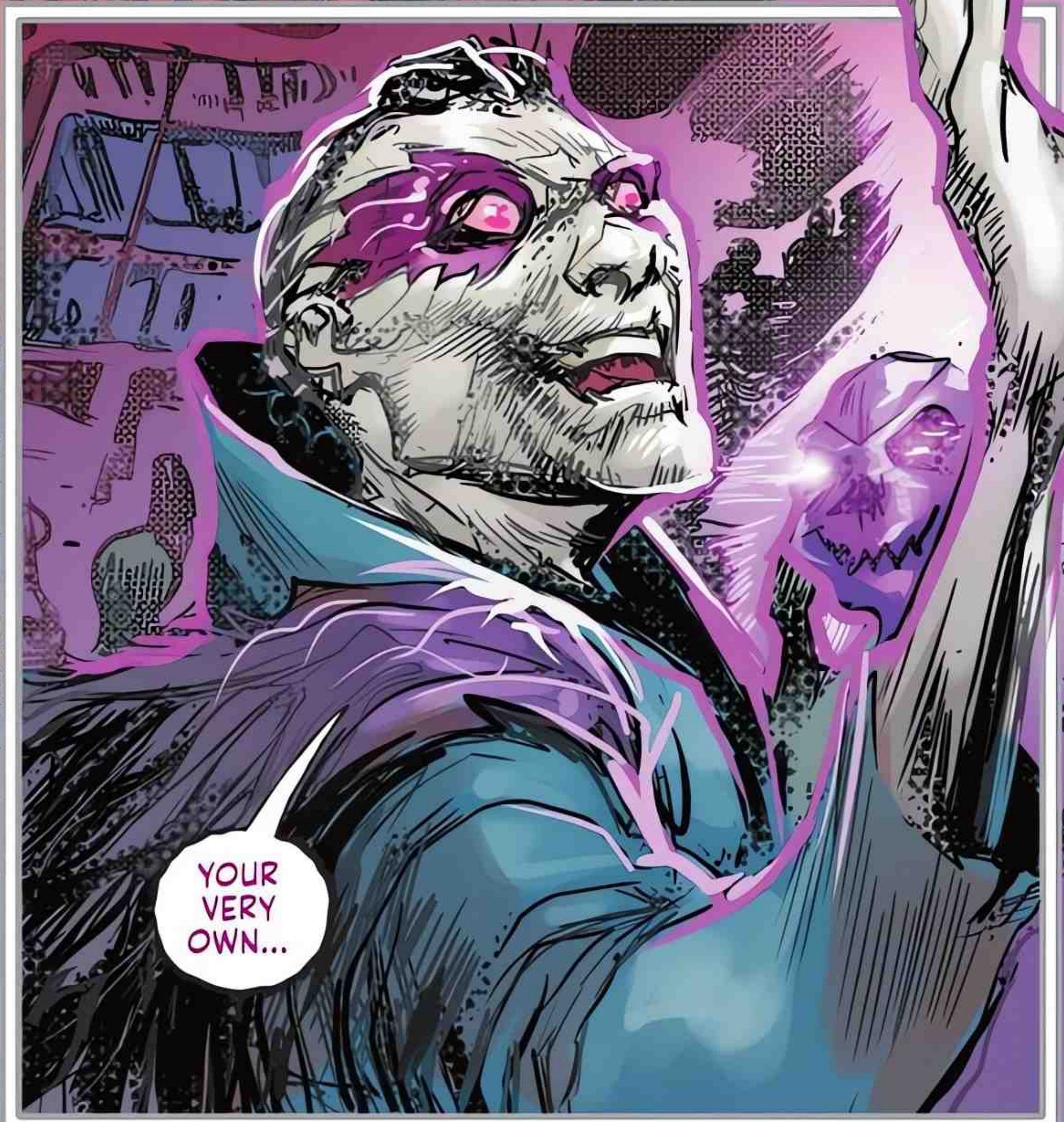
COME NOW.  
DON'T BE  
MODEST.



I PROMISED  
I WOULD GIVE  
YOU YOUR  
DREAMS, DID  
I NOT?

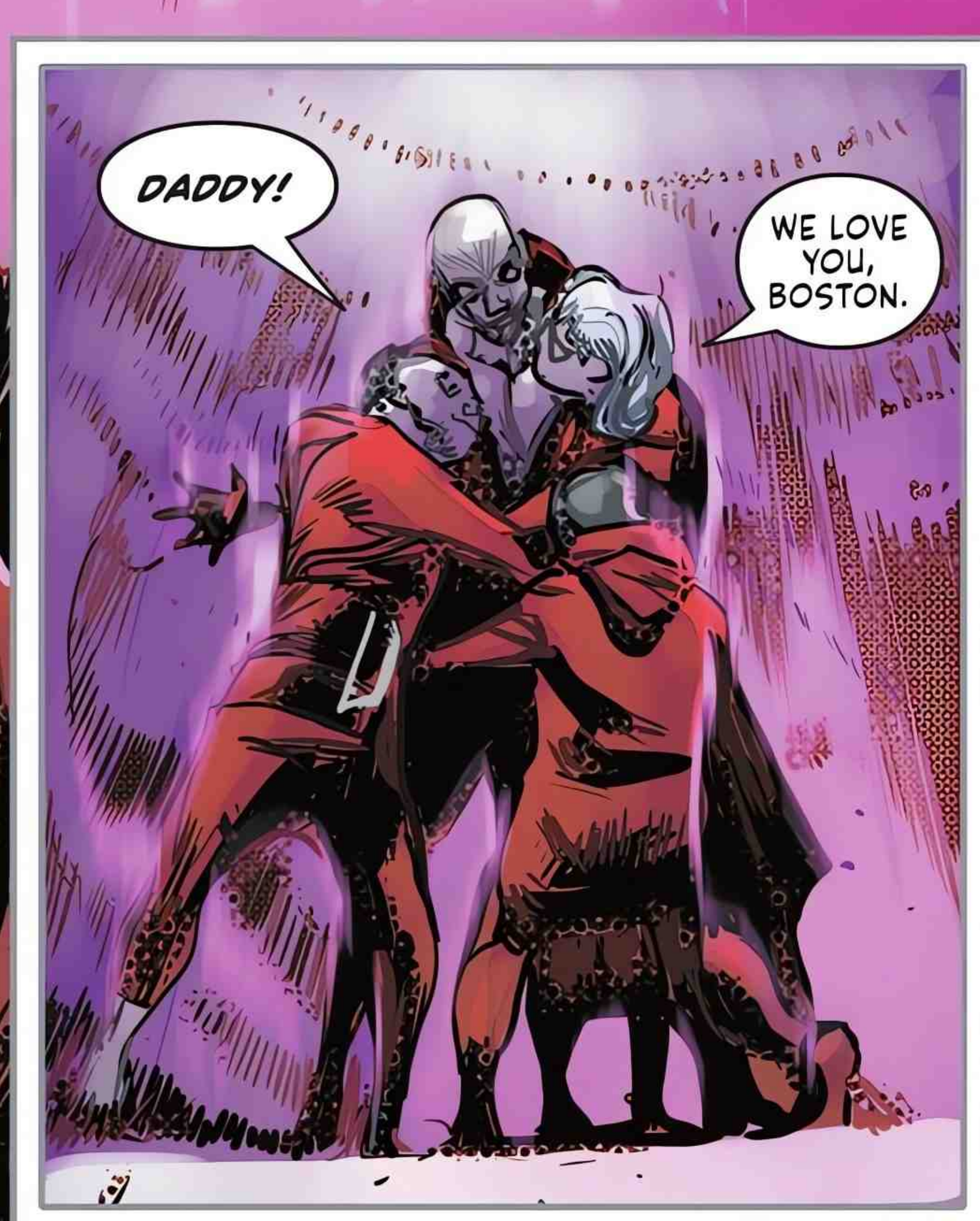


AND WE  
BOTH KNOW  
WHAT YOU  
WANT.



YOUR  
VERY  
OWN...







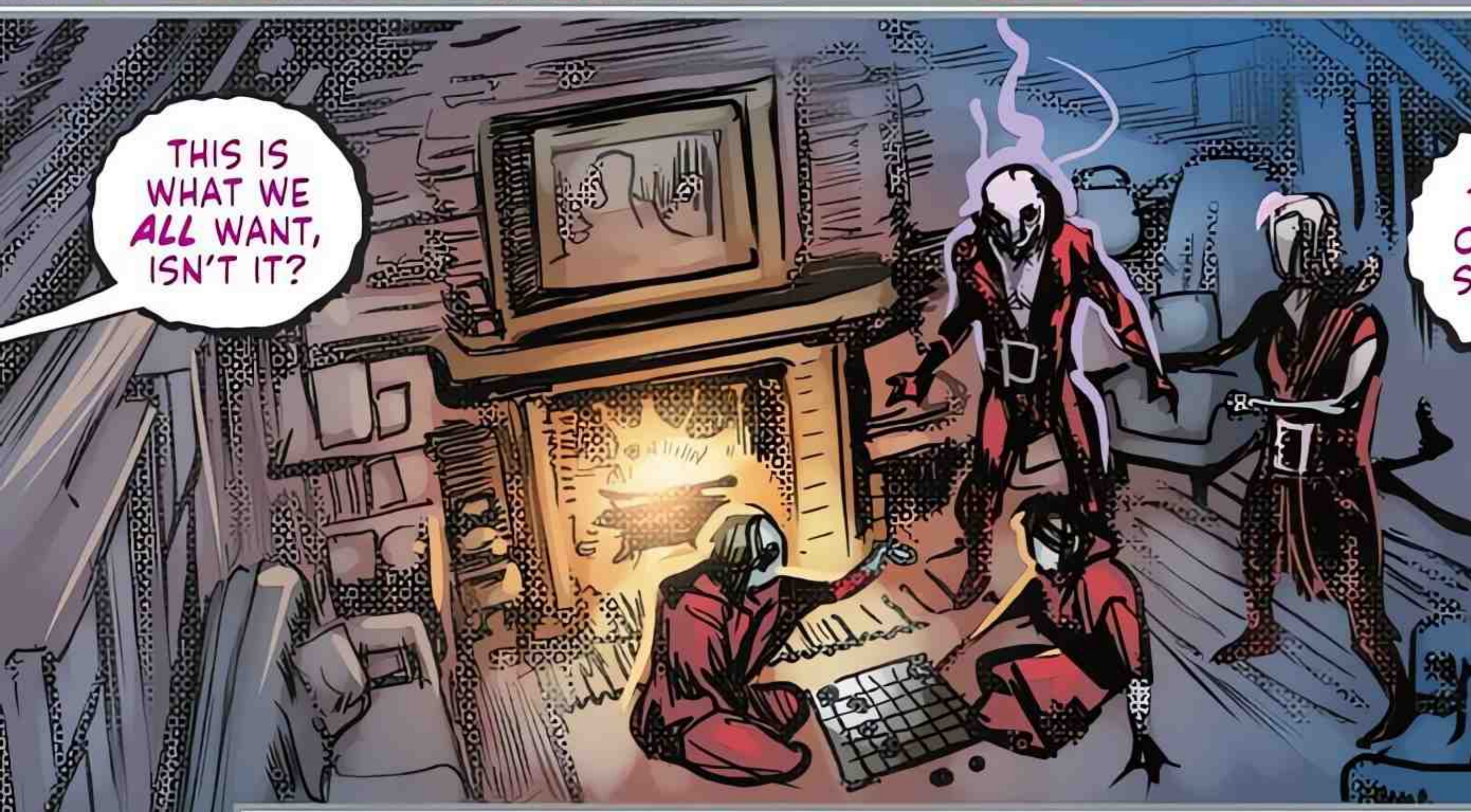


THIS ISN'T...  
**RIGHT.**

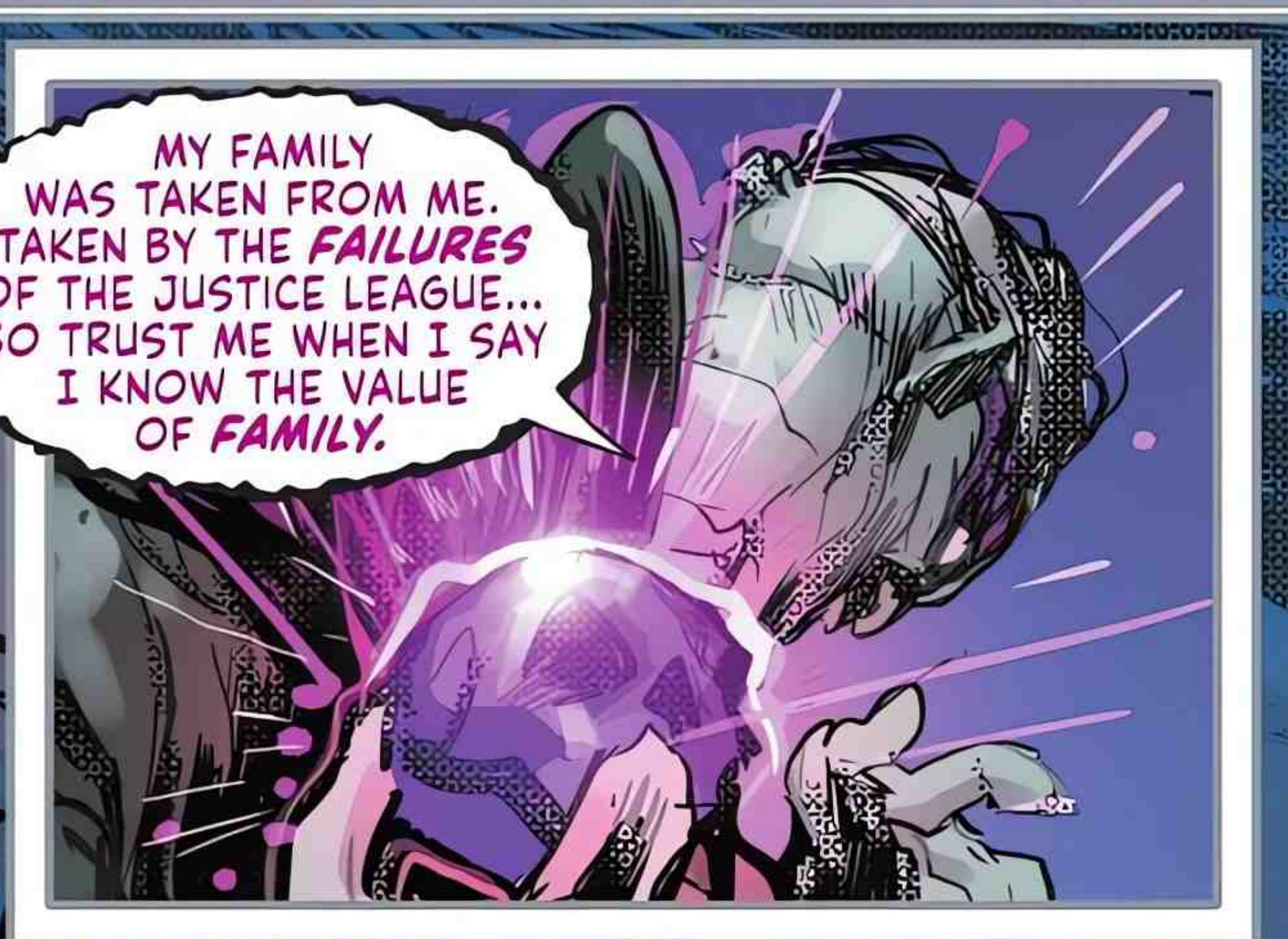


WHAT HAS  
**RIGHT** GOT  
TO DO WITH  
**ANYTHING,**  
BOSTON?

YOU  
**DESERVE**  
THIS.



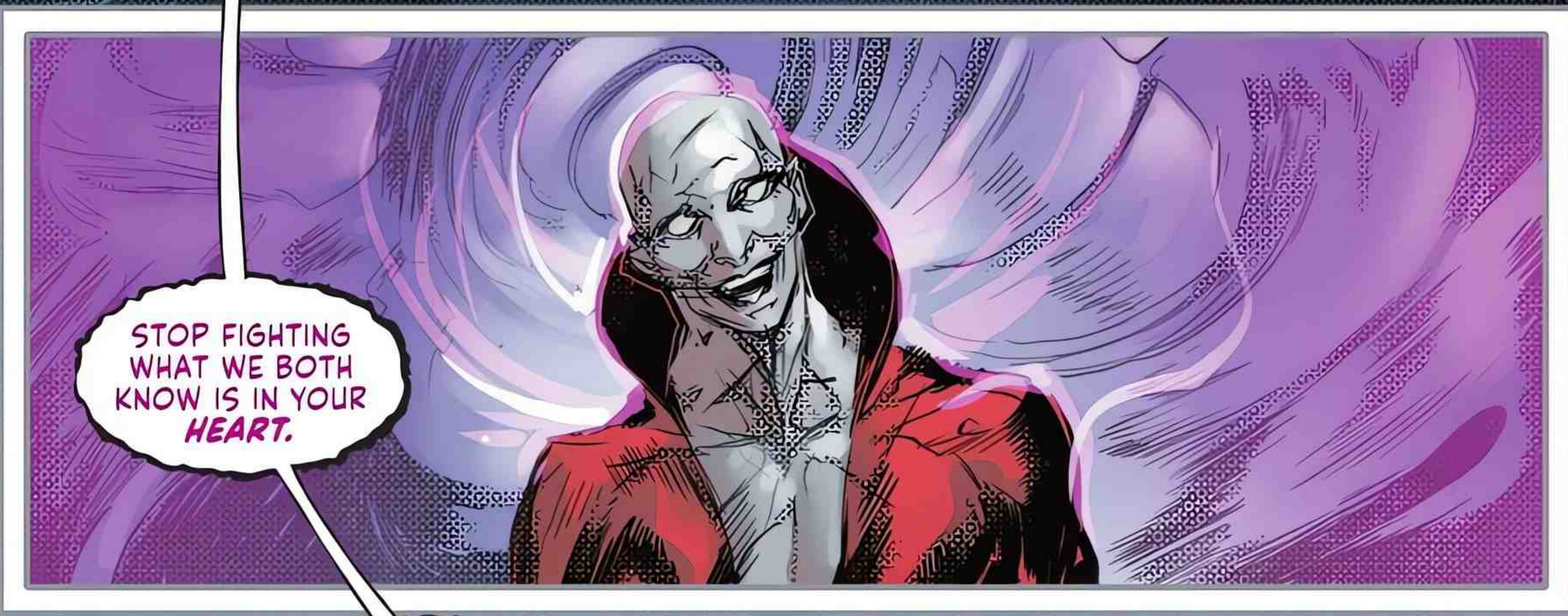
THIS IS  
WHAT WE  
**ALL** WANT,  
ISN'T IT?



MY FAMILY  
WAS TAKEN FROM ME.  
TAKEN BY THE **FAILURES**  
OF THE JUSTICE LEAGUE...  
SO TRUST ME WHEN I SAY  
I KNOW THE VALUE  
OF **FAMILY.**



TAKE THIS  
GIFT AND BE  
AT PEACE, MY  
FRIEND.



STOP FIGHTING  
WHAT WE BOTH  
KNOW IS IN YOUR  
**HEART.**



THIS WILL  
ALL BE OVER  
**SOON.**

DAMN  
RIGHT IT  
WILL BE.





CONSIDER  
THIS YOUR  
WAKE-UP CALL,  
INSOMNIA.

YOUR NIGHT  
OF TERROR IS  
DUE FOR A RUDE  
AWAKENING.

DON'T  
UNDERESTIMATE  
HIM, BATMAN.

THAT  
NIGHTMARE  
STONE IS  
DANGEROUS.

I USED  
TO HAVE  
NIGHTMARES  
OF YOU.

EVERY.

SINGLE.

NIGHT.



NOW  
I'M YOUR  
NIGHTMARE.



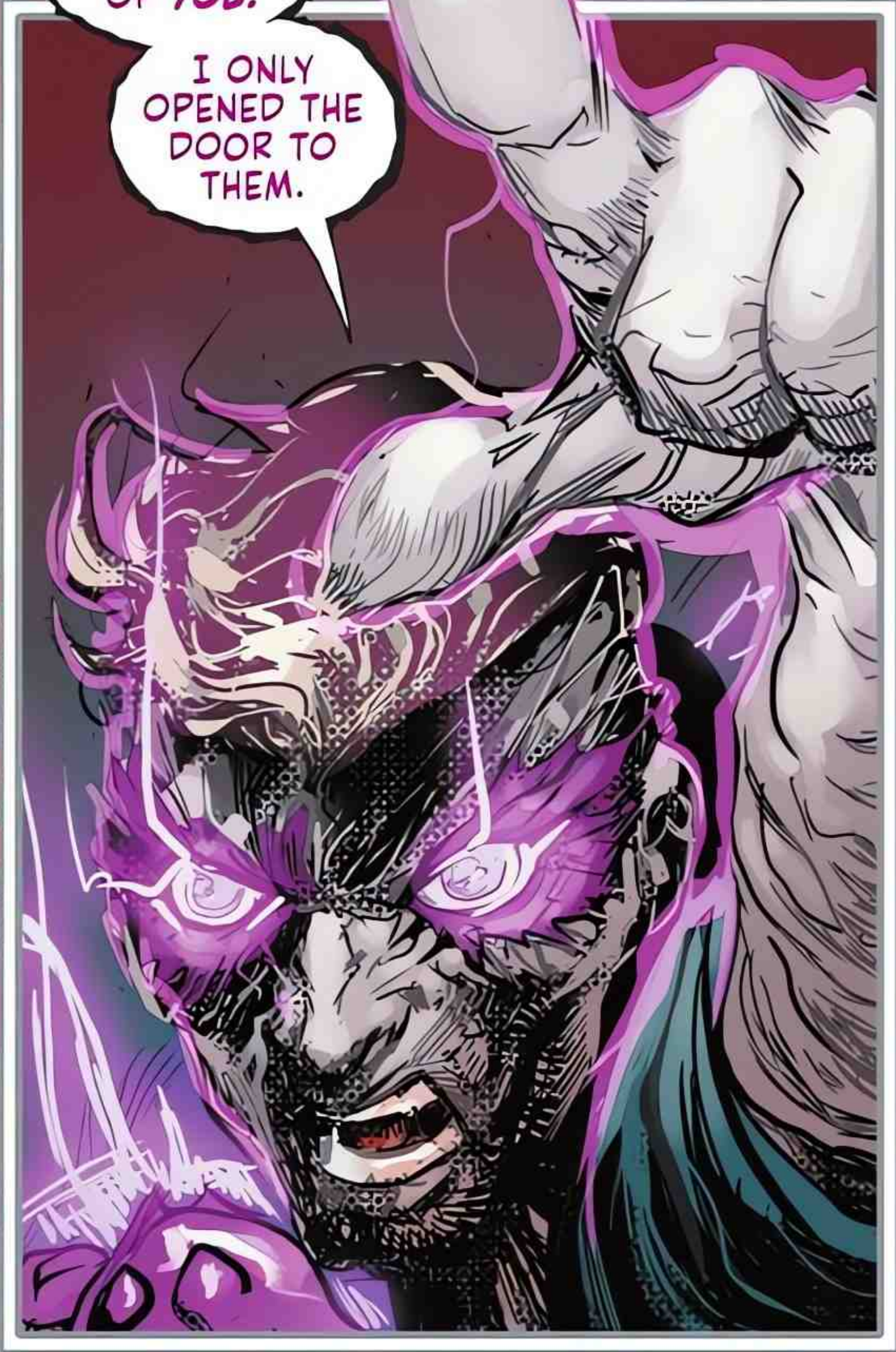
WHY  
DO THIS? WHY  
CREATE THESE  
NIGHTMARES?

THEY  
ARE NOT  
*MY* CREATIONS.  
THEY WERE  
BORN INSIDE  
OF *YOU*.

I ONLY  
OPENED THE  
DOOR TO  
THEM.

LOOK  
AROUND US.  
YOU CREATED  
THIS *HALL OF  
JUSTICE*.

BUT ALL I  
SEE IS A HALL OF  
*HORROR*.



YOU BUILT A  
PLACE WHERE  
YOU CAN BE  
CELEBRATED.

*WORSHIPPED.*

THE  
CHURCH  
OF FALSE  
HEROES.

FILLED WITH  
TROPHIES THAT  
REPRESENT YOUR  
"VICTORIES."

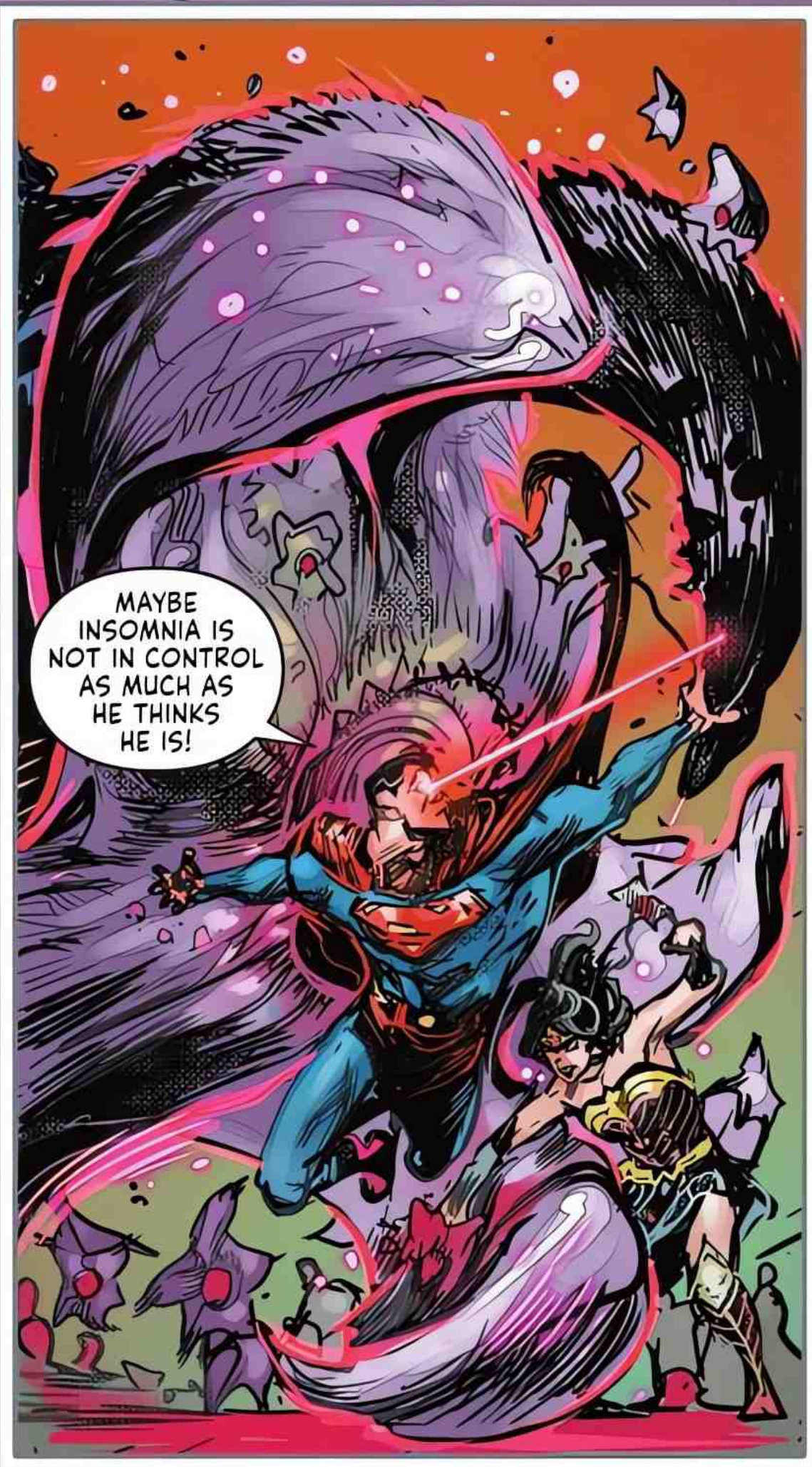


WHAT  
KIND OF  
HEROES NEED  
TROPHIES?

I WONDER...





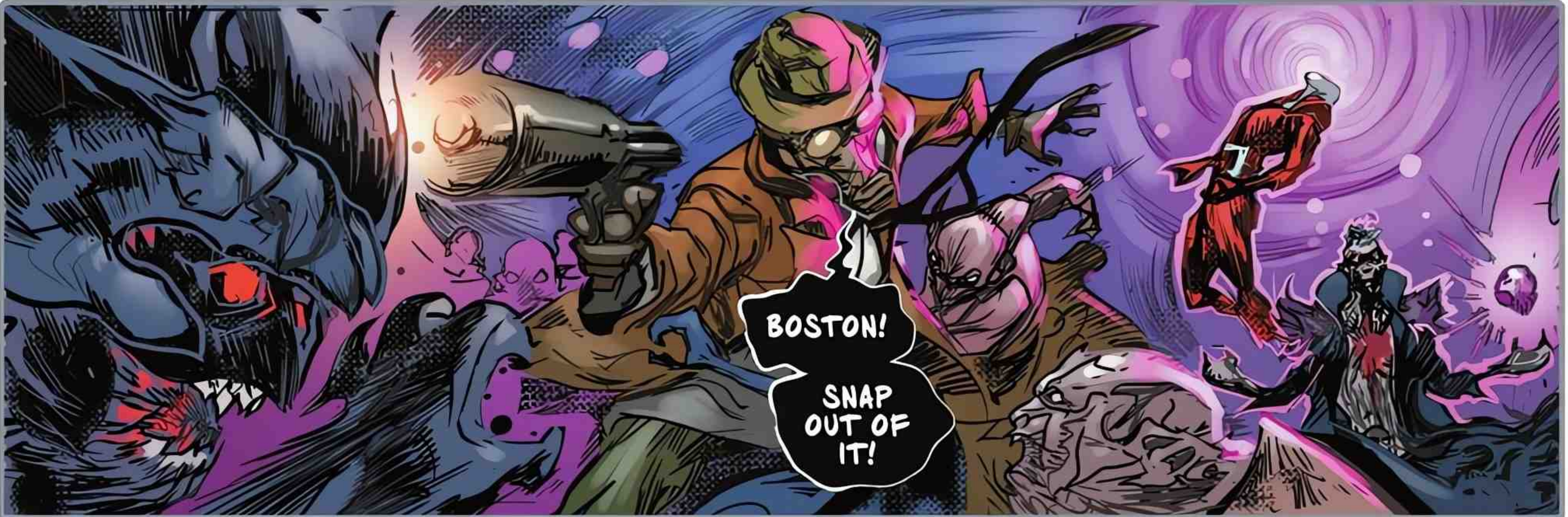






WAKE UP!

THIS IS LOVELY.



BOSTON!

SNAP  
OUT OF  
IT!



WE  
NEED  
YOU!

DON'T  
BELIEVE THE  
NIGHTMARE!

NIGHTMARE...?

YES, MY  
LOVE. STAY  
WITH US.

PLAY WITH  
US, DAD!  
DON'T LISTEN  
TO THEM!

NO. NONE  
OF THIS IS  
RIGHT.

THIS IS  
NOT WHAT  
I WANT.



YOU GOT IT  
ALL WRONG,  
INSOMNIA.





I GAVE  
YOU WHAT YOU  
WANTED!

AND YOU  
**REJECT**  
IT?



NO, YOU  
GAVE ME  
WHAT **YOU**  
WANTED.

I'M NOT  
GOING TO  
LIVE SOME  
DREAM...



"...WHILE MY  
FRIENDS ARE  
**HURTING.**"



I GAVE UP  
ON THAT KIND  
OF LIFE A LONG  
TIME AGO.

LONG  
BEFORE  
I DIED, IN  
FACT.



THEN  
LET'S FINALLY  
FIND OUT WHAT  
YOU HAVE  
**NIGHTMARES**  
ABOUT!

AAAAHHHHH!



THIS IS  
YOU.

ALONE.

I SEE. YOU  
WERE ALREADY  
LIVING YOUR  
NIGHTMARE.

BEFORE, YOU  
ALWAYS CRAVED  
THE SPOTLIGHT,  
AND THAT WAS  
TAKEN ALONG WITH  
YOUR LIFE.

SO YOU'VE BEEN  
TRAPPED AS THE  
AUDIENCE...FORCED  
TO WATCH OTHERS  
**LIVE.**

NEVER  
ABLE TO  
**MOVE  
ON.**



IF I'M  
TRAPPED  
HERE...





"...THEN I'LL MAKE SURE YOU'RE TRAPPED WITH ME!"

DEADMAN HAS GOT INSOMNIA.

WE NEED TO GET BACK TO WHERE THIS ALL STARTED.

THE NIGHTMARE CONSTRUCT OF JOHN DEE'S BODY!



I'LL CLEAR A PATH!

I'M GOING WITH YOU!

THE WORLD IS WAKING! AND WE WILL MAKE IT A LIVING NIGHTMARE!

IT'S OUR OLD FRIENDS, THE SLEEPLESS KNIGHTS, ROBOT-MAN...

I REALLY...





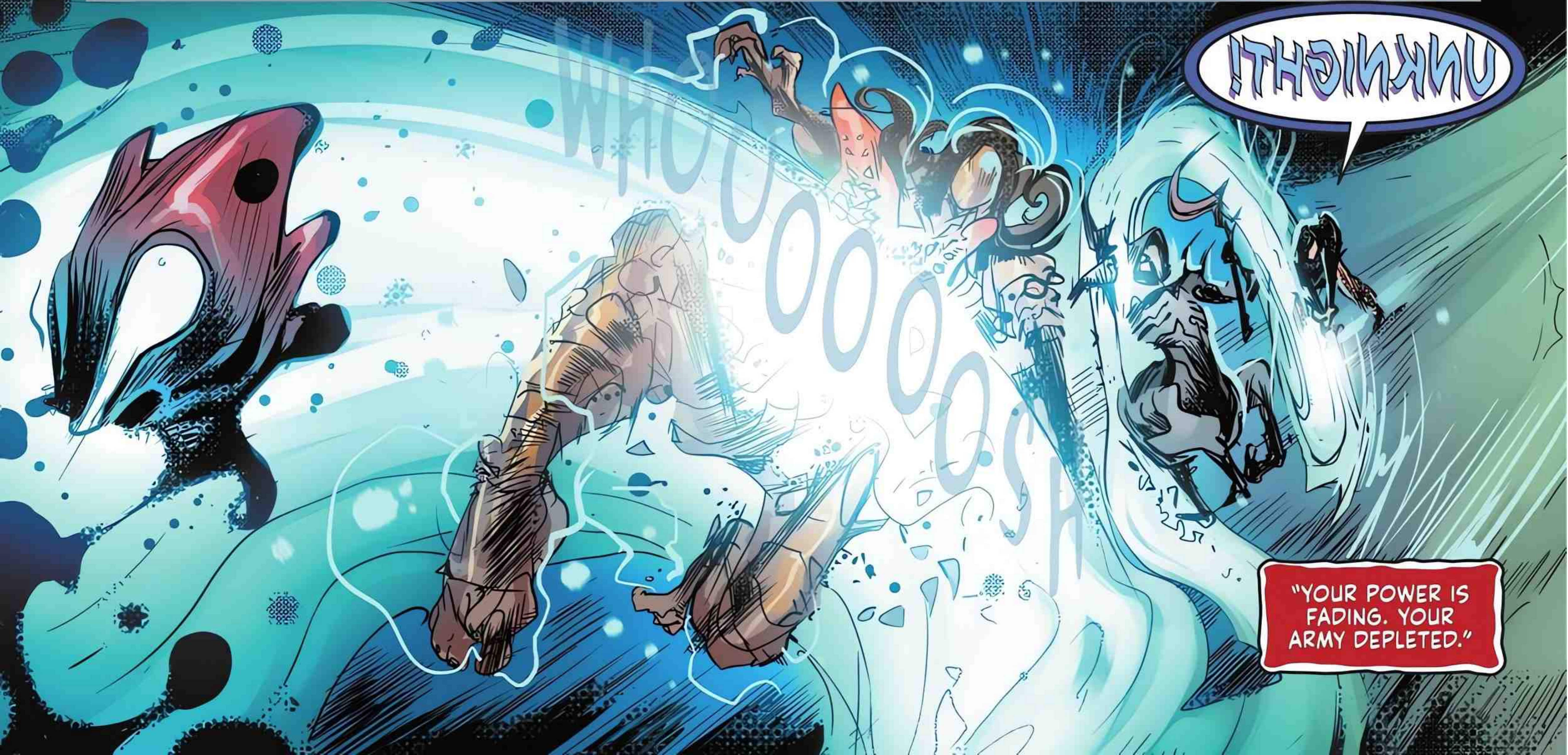
...HATE  
MAGIC!

SLAM



I'VE HAD  
ENOUGH OF  
YOU  
CREEPS!

TIME TO  
TUCK YOU  
INTO BED,  
ZATANNA.



IT HATH!

"YOUR POWER IS  
FADING. YOUR  
ARMY DEPLETED."





YOU'RE  
LETTING THE  
NIGHTMARE  
STONE  
CORRUPT  
YOU!

IT CALLED  
FOR YOU!  
IT WANTED YOU  
TO FREE IT.

I FELT IT  
TOO!

IT PLAYED  
ON MY  
ANGER LEFT  
OVER FROM  
WHEN I  
DIED.



BUT  
WHAT DID YOU  
LOSE?! YOUR  
LIFE? **THE  
SPOTLIGHT?!**

**THAT'S  
IT!**

I LOST  
**EVERYTHING.**

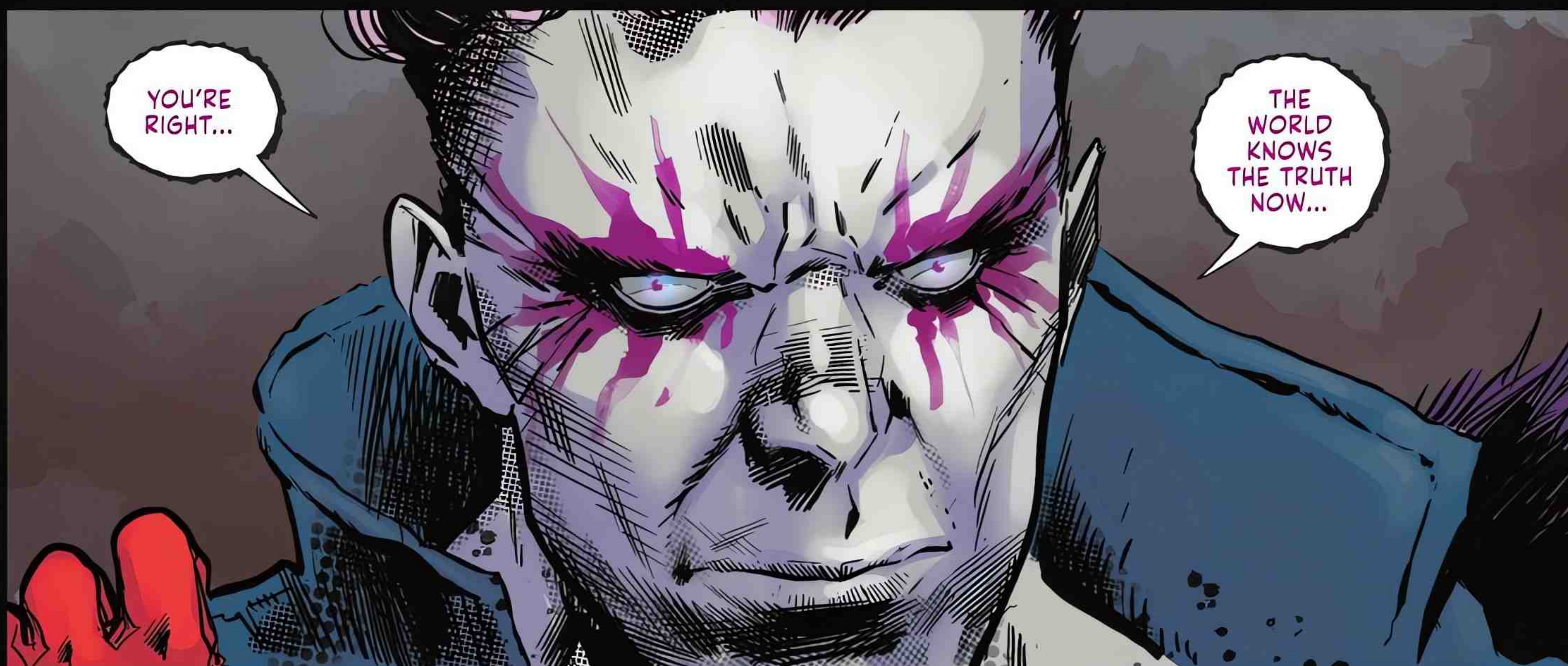


NOTHING  
IS GOING TO  
BRING YOUR  
FAMILY BACK,  
INSOMNIA.

THIS  
DOESN'T  
HONOR  
THEM.



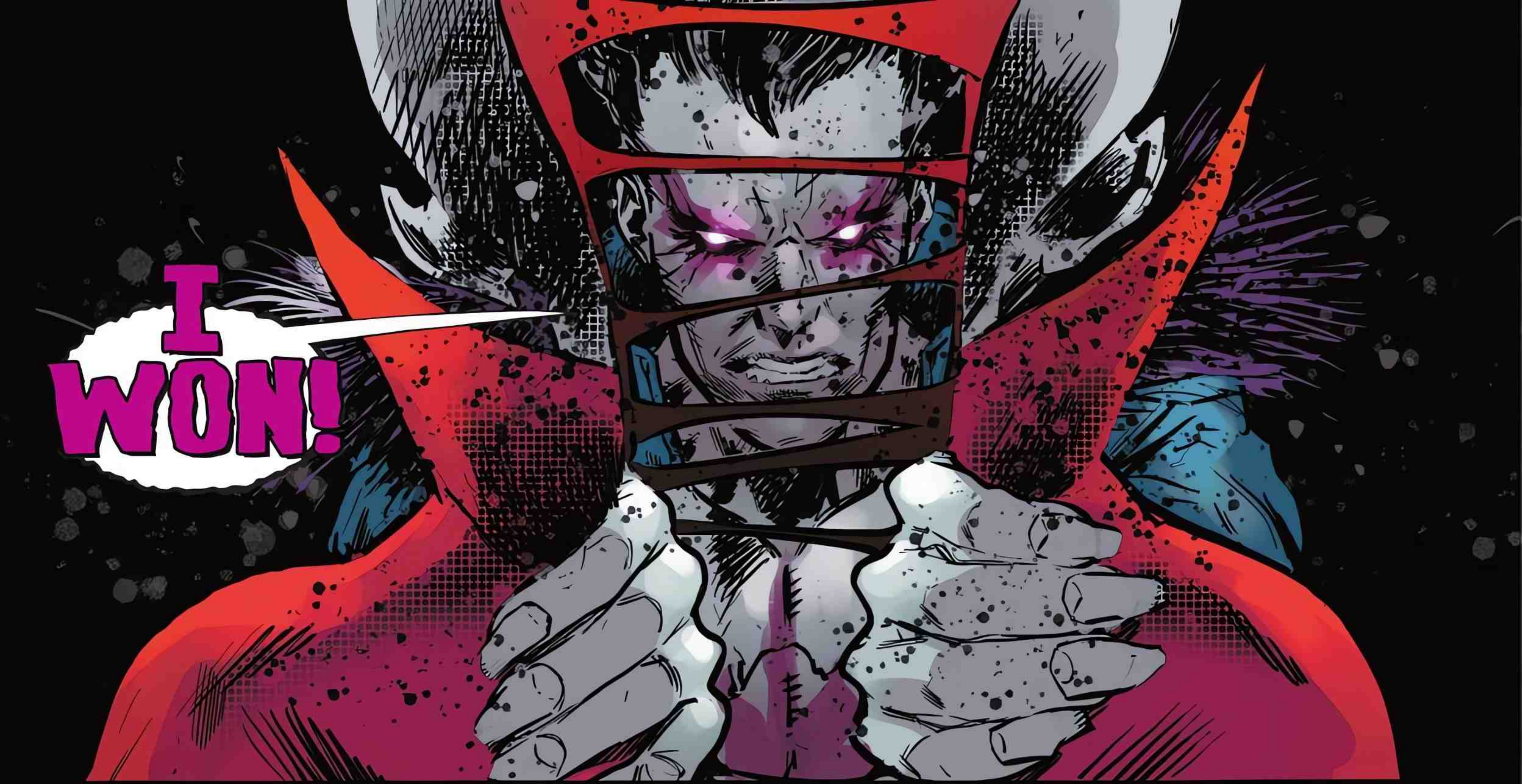
PLEASE.  
LET'S STOP THIS  
**TOGETHER.**



YOU'RE  
RIGHT...

THE  
WORLD  
KNOWS  
THE TRUTH  
NOW...





**I  
WON!**



BUT  
THAT'S NOT  
ENOUGH.

THE JUSTICE  
LEAGUE COULD  
HAVE SAVED MY  
FAMILY AND  
DIDN'T.

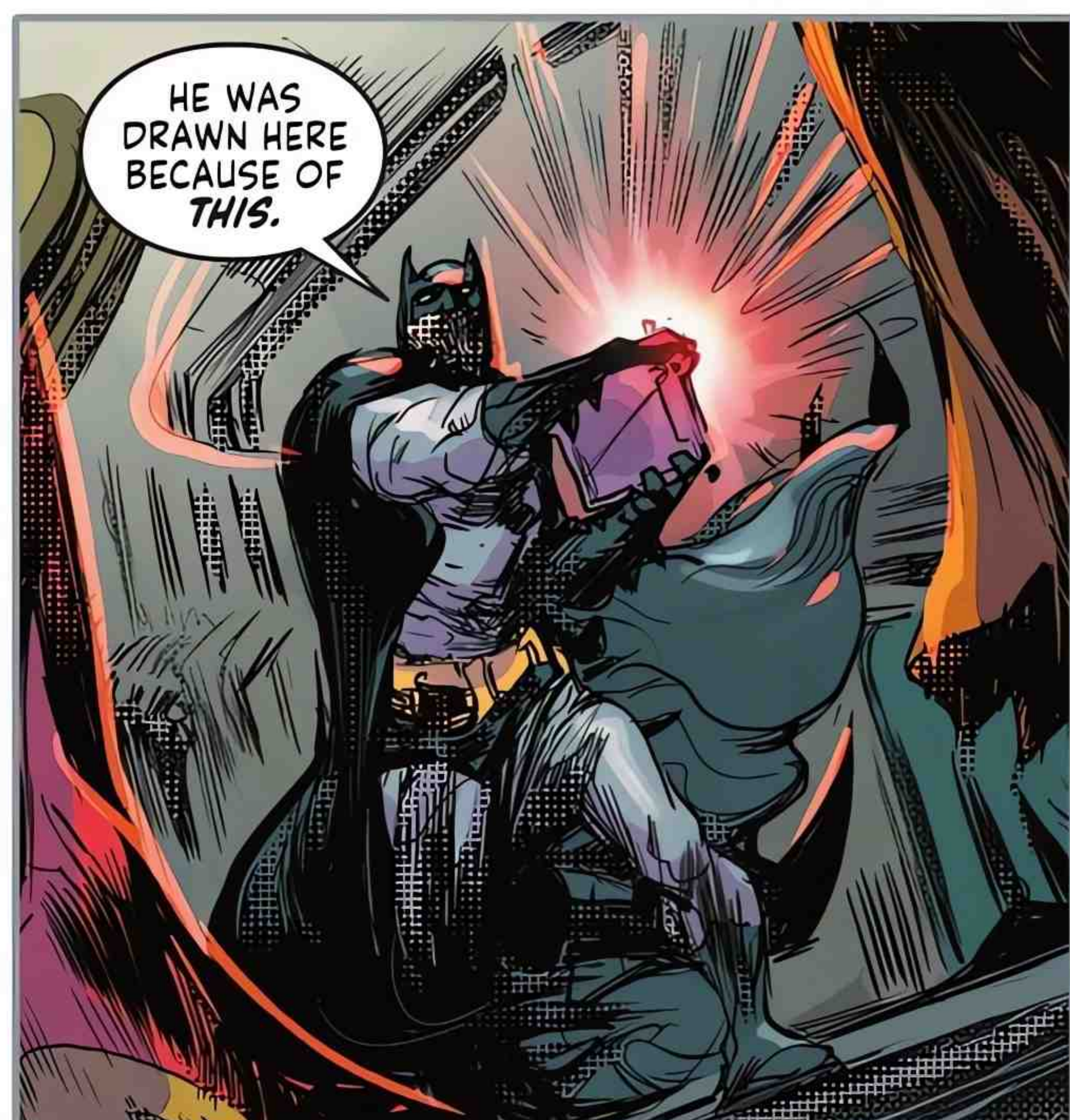
I KNOW  
HOW TO  
HONOR MY  
FAMILY...



...I  
PUNISH THE  
HEROES!

 "THIS ALL  
STARTED  
WITH JOHN  
DEE..."







...I ALWAYS  
DREAMED OF  
BEING PART OF  
SOMETHING  
BIGGER.







YOU THINK YOU CAN HANDLE THE DREAMSTONE'S POWERS, DODDS? YOU'RE NOTHING BUT SOME OLD ZOMBIE.

YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR LEAGUE.

NOW THE WHOLE WORLD SEES THE HEROES LIKE I DO...AS MONSTERS.



AND YOU KNOW WHAT PEOPLE DO WHEN MONSTERS DIE.

THEY WILL CHEER!

BUT WHY SHOULD I STOP THERE? WITH THIS NIGHTMARE STONE I CAN KILL EVERYONE.

IF I CAN'T HAVE MY FAMILY...

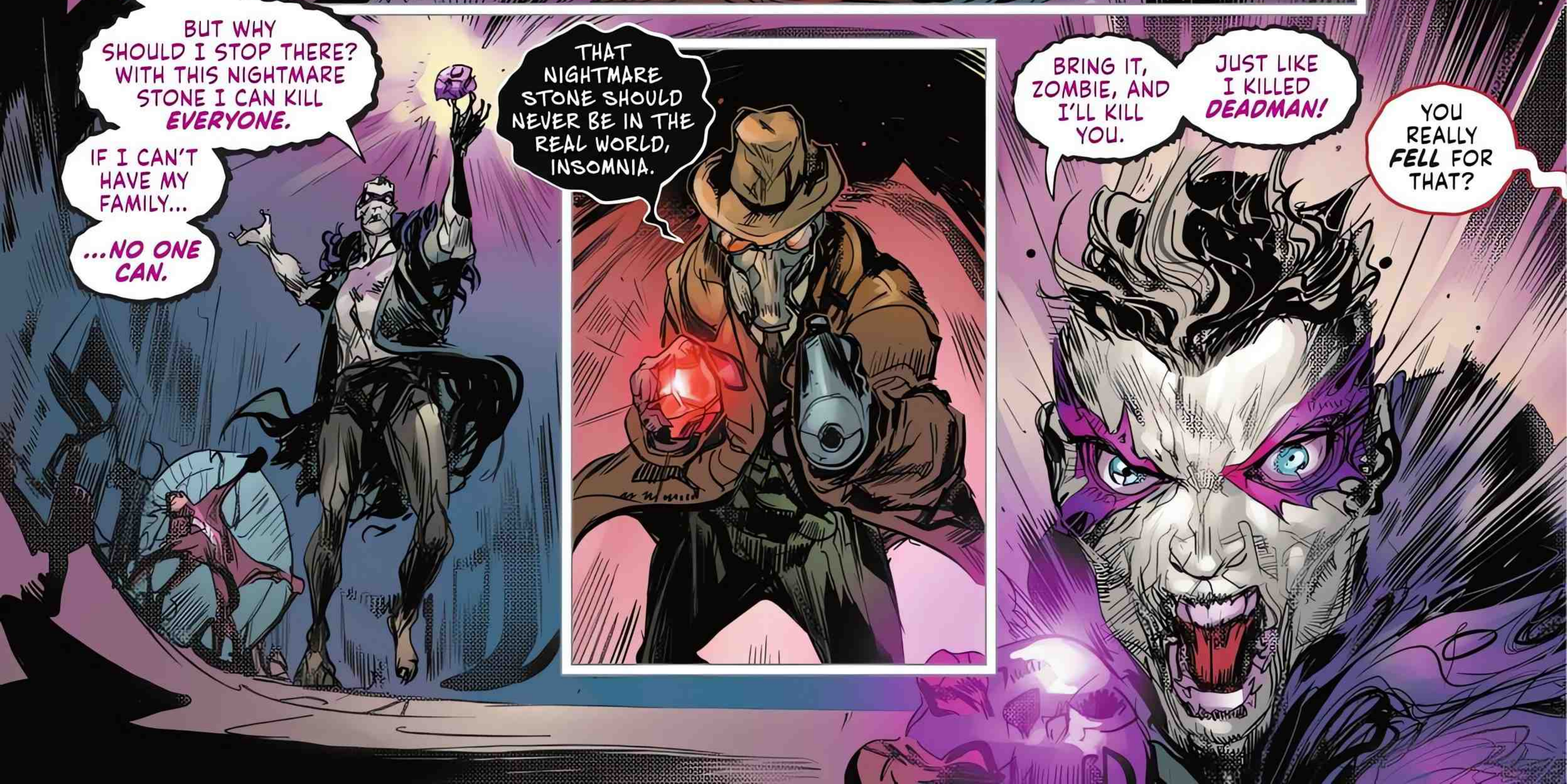
...NO ONE CAN.

THAT NIGHTMARE STONE SHOULD NEVER BE IN THE REAL WORLD, INSOMNIA.

BRING IT, ZOMBIE, AND I'LL KILL YOU.

JUST LIKE I KILLED DEADMAN!

YOU REALLY FELL FOR THAT?







FAKING MY  
DEATH WAS MY  
WHOLE **ACT!**

**==GASP!==**



YOU'RE NOT  
A NIGHTMARE  
ANYMORE,  
INSOMNIA.

YOU'RE A  
**GHOST** JUST  
LIKE ME.

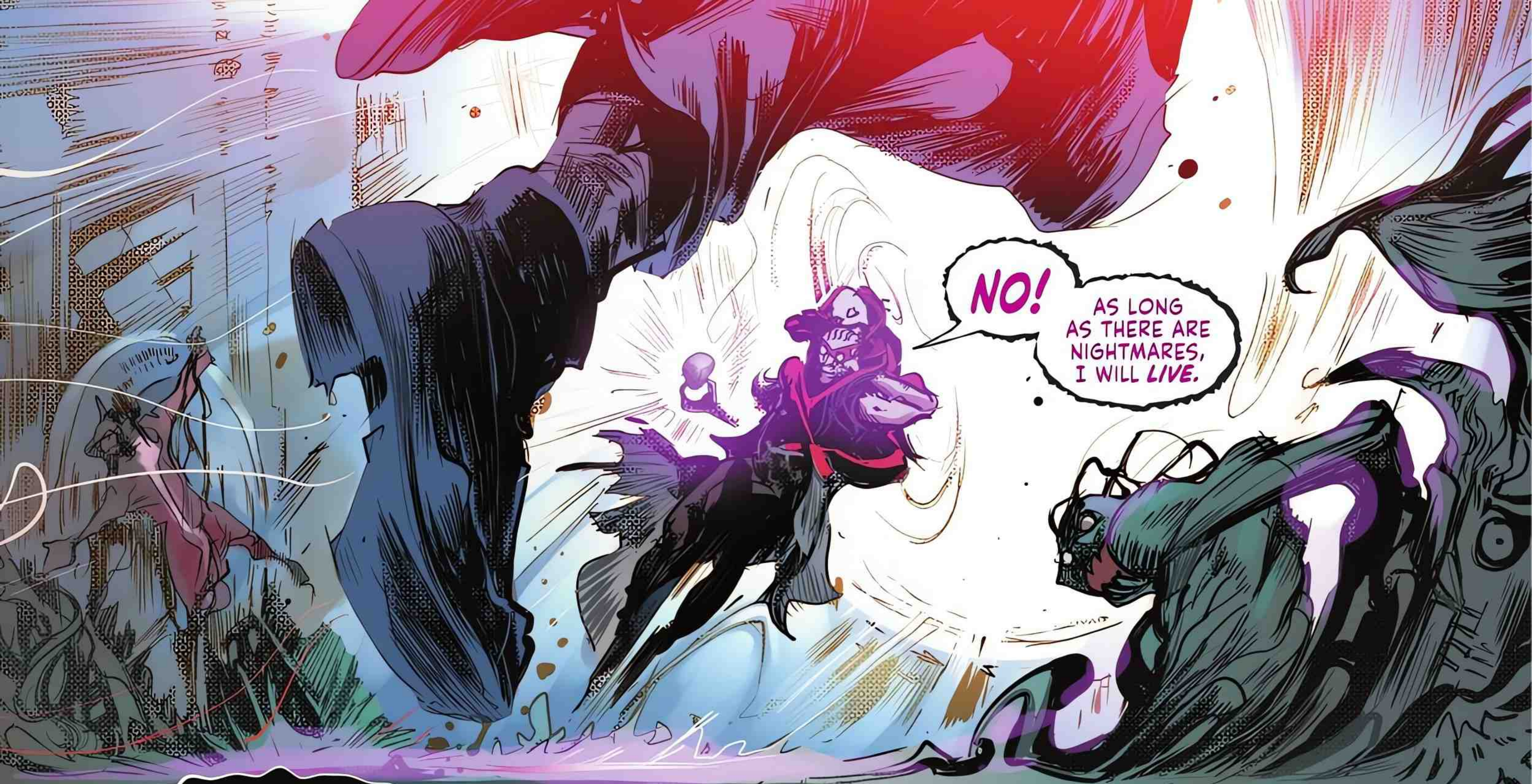
BUT I'M  
GOING TO  
HELP YOU DO  
SOMETHING I  
SHOULD HAVE  
A LONG TIME  
AGO.



WHAT DO  
YOU--

**NO NO NO  
NO NO.**



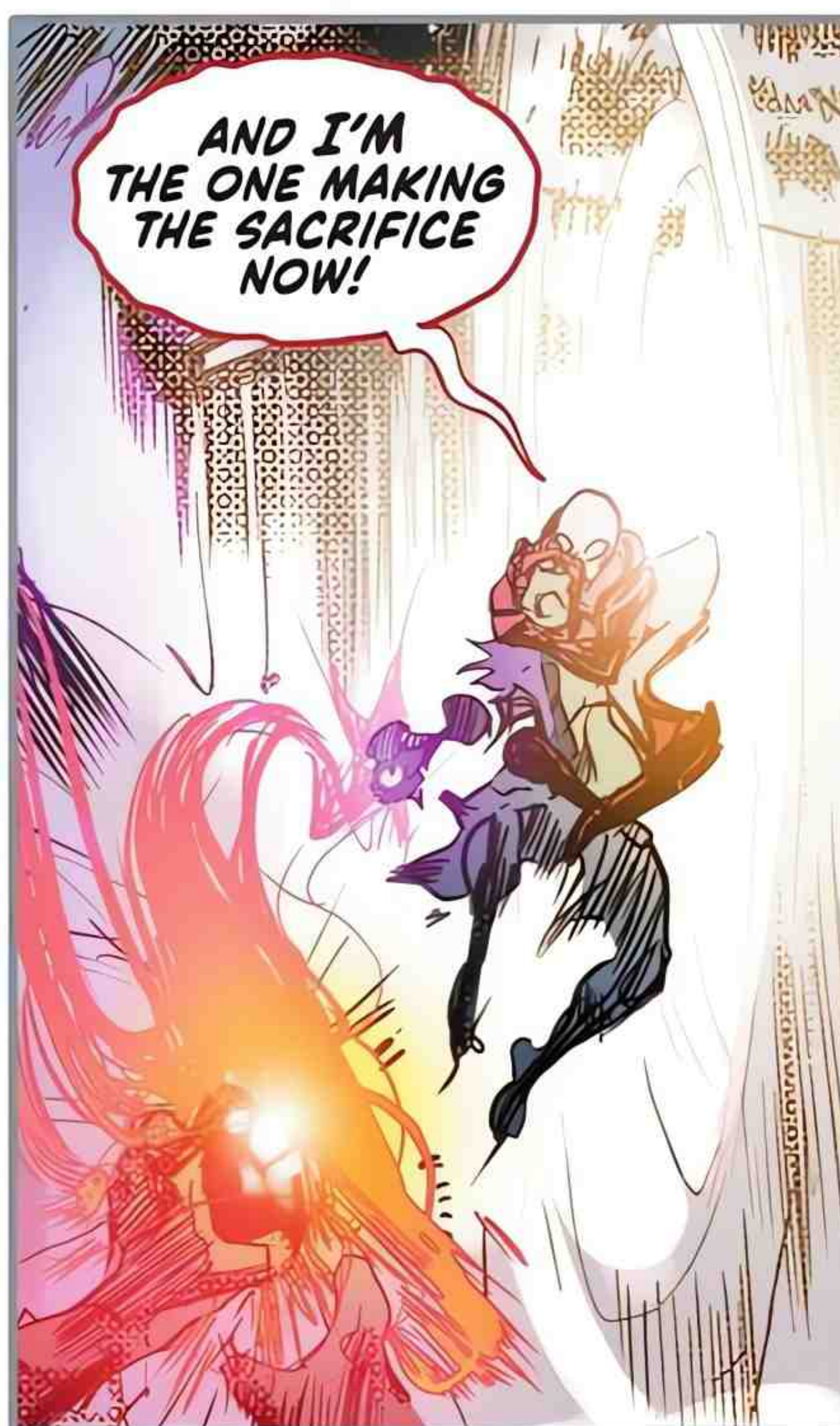


**NO!**

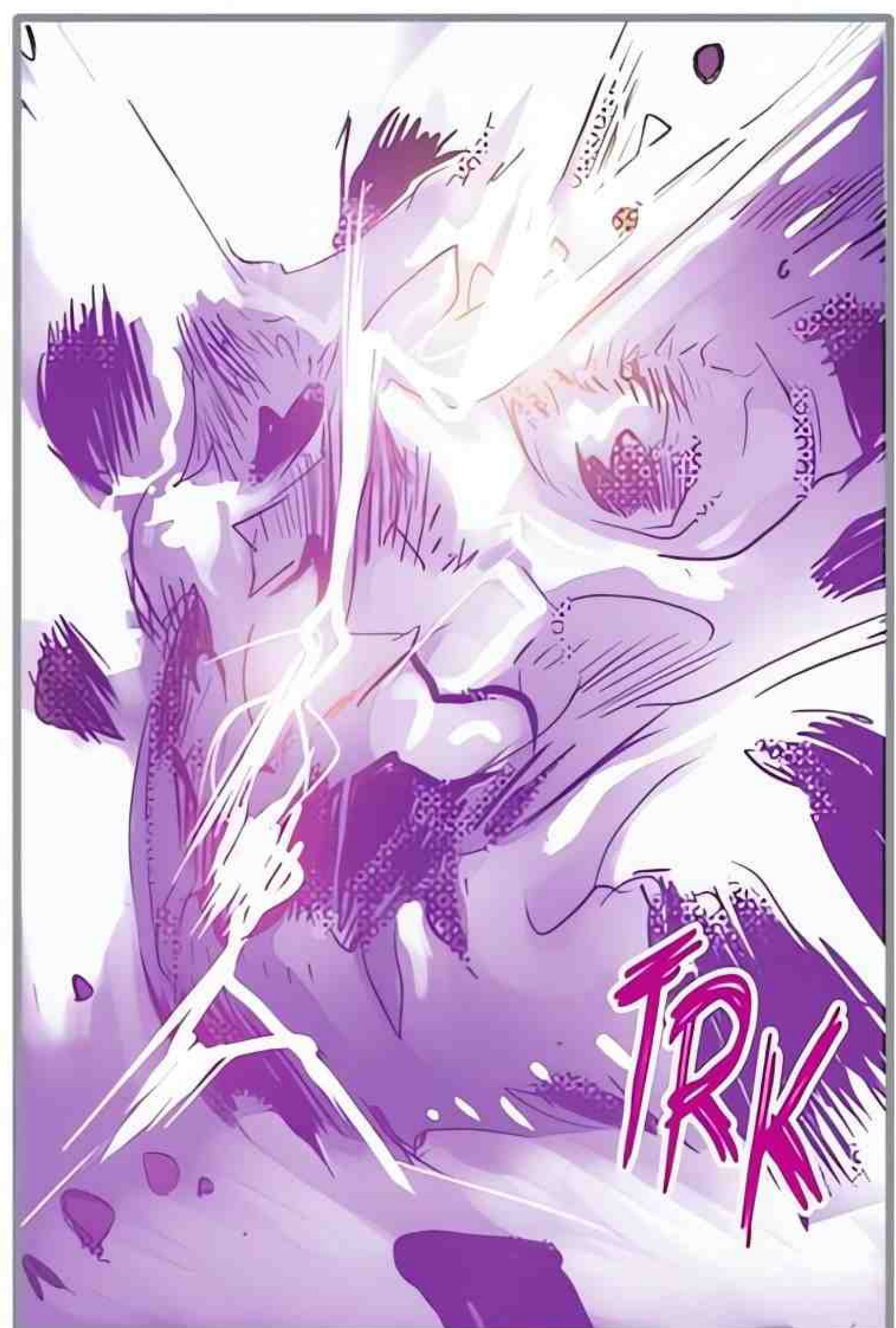
AS LONG  
AS THERE ARE  
NIGHTMARES,  
I WILL LIVE.



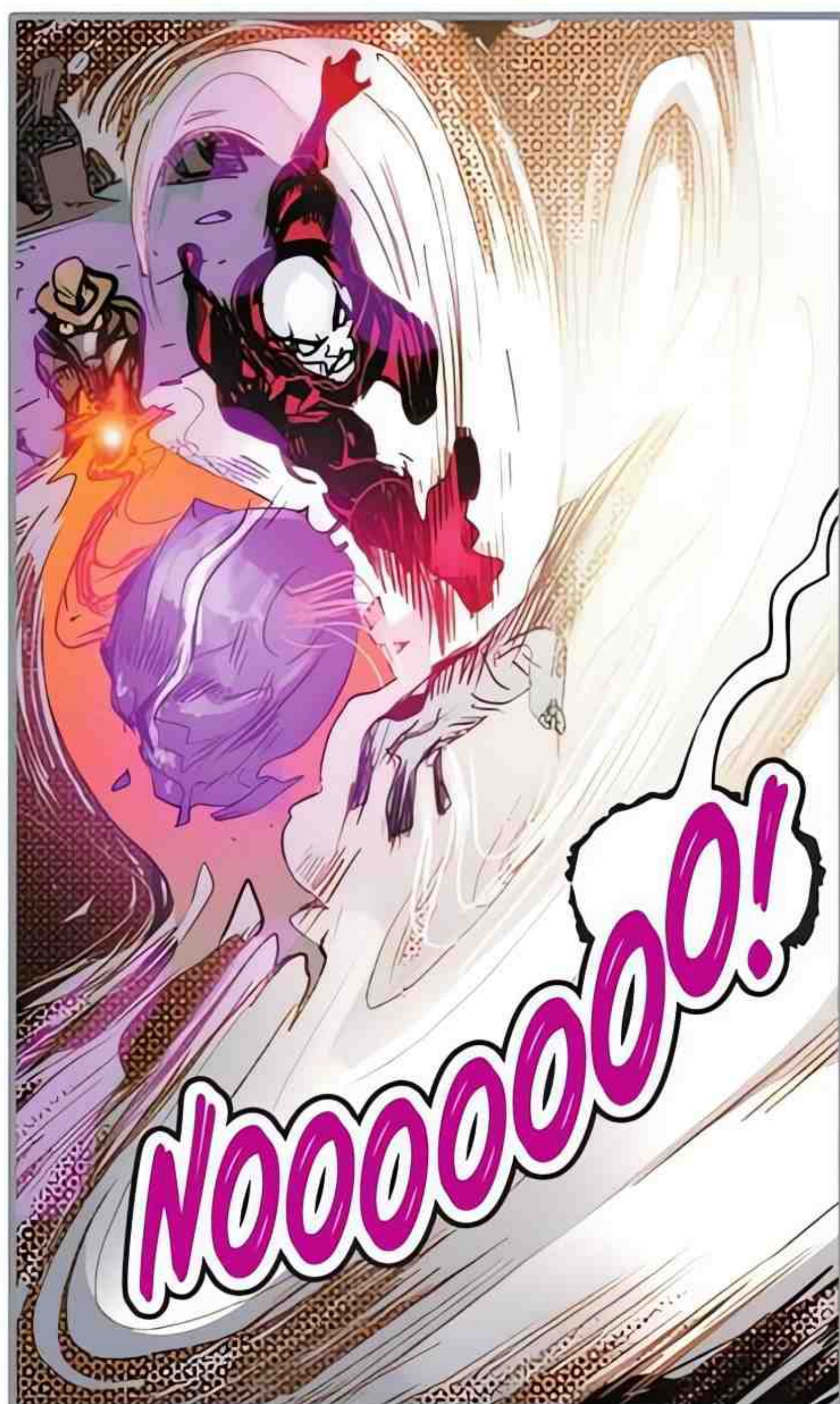
CONTROL OF THE  
NIGHTMARE STONE TAKES  
SACRIFICE, INSOMNIA.



AND I'M  
THE ONE MAKING  
THE SACRIFICE  
NOW!



**TRK**

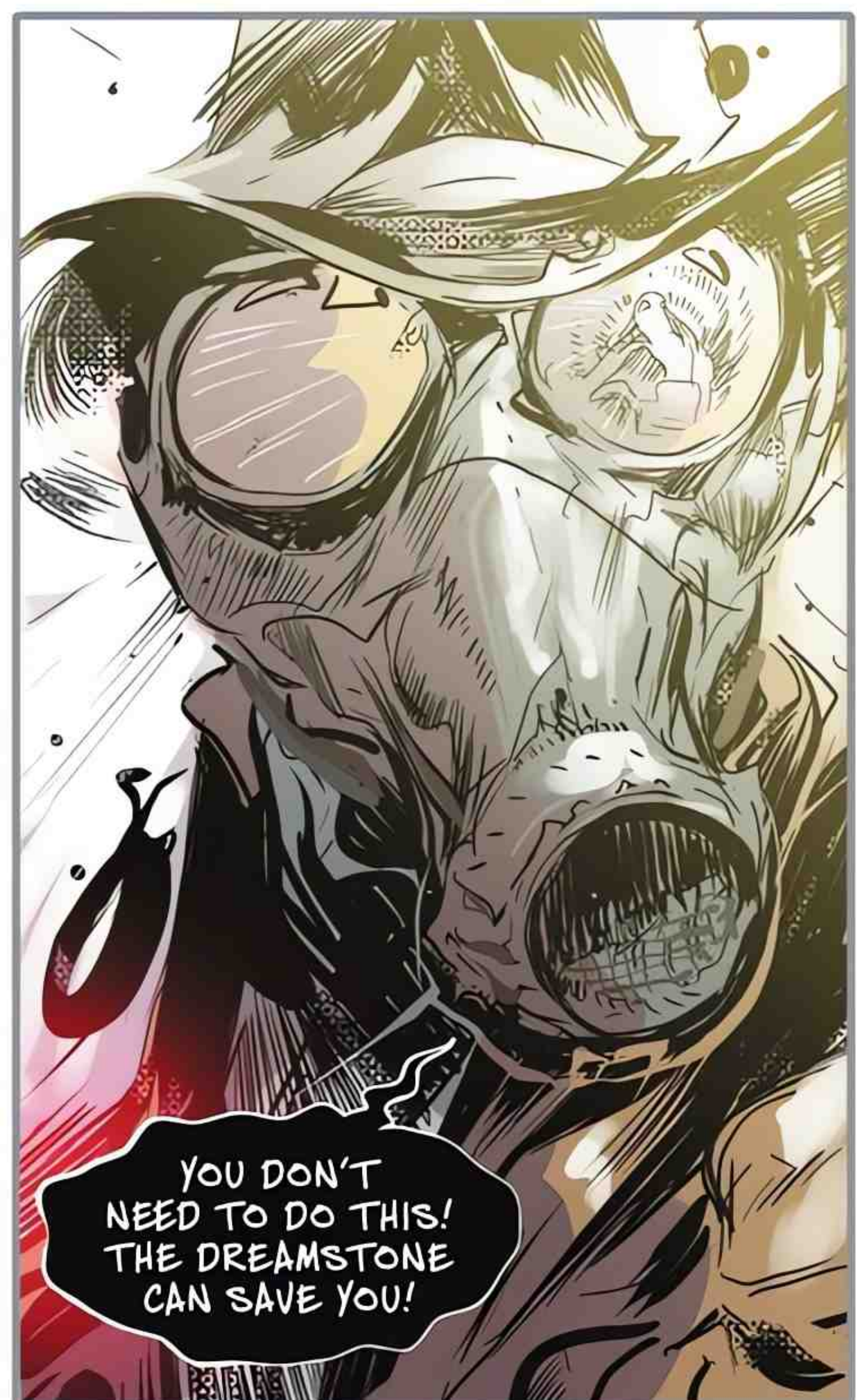


**Nooooooooo!**



**BOSTON?!**

I KNOW  
WHAT I  
WANT NOW,  
WESLEY.



YOU DON'T  
NEED TO DO THIS!  
THE DREAMSTONE  
CAN SAVE YOU!



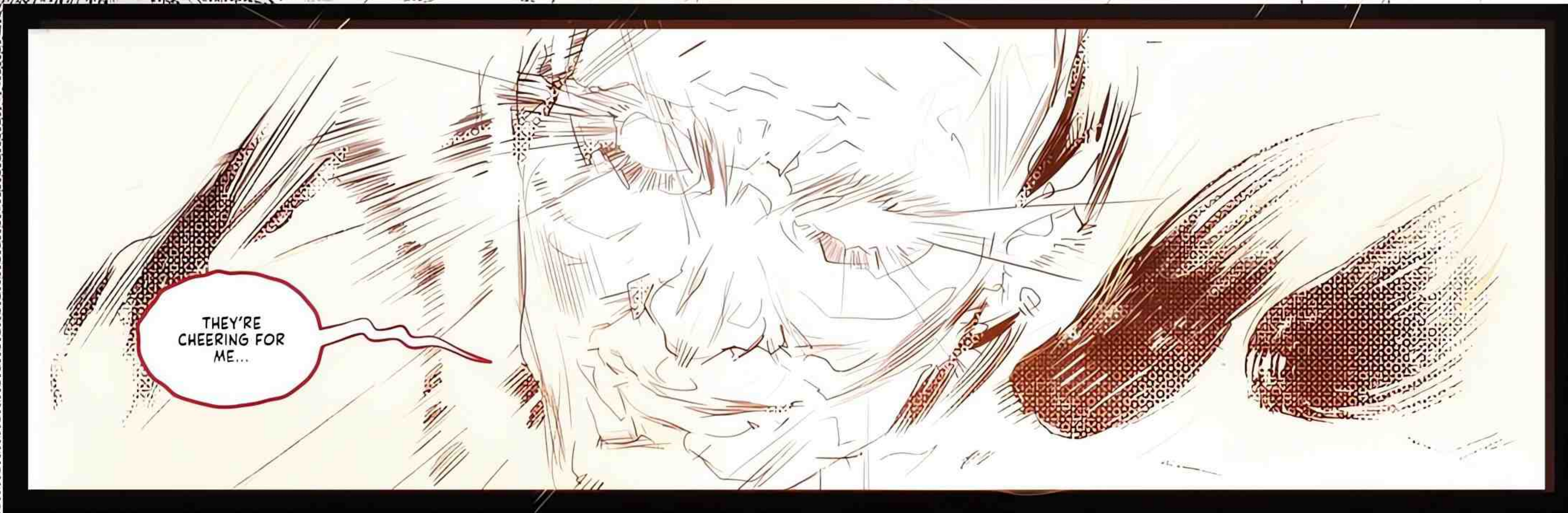


IT'S TIME I WENT  
ON A NEW ADVENTURE,  
WESLEY. MY DEAL WITH  
RAMA KUSHNA WAS  
OVER LIFETIMES  
AGO.

I'M SICK OF  
BEING IN THE  
AUDIENCE.

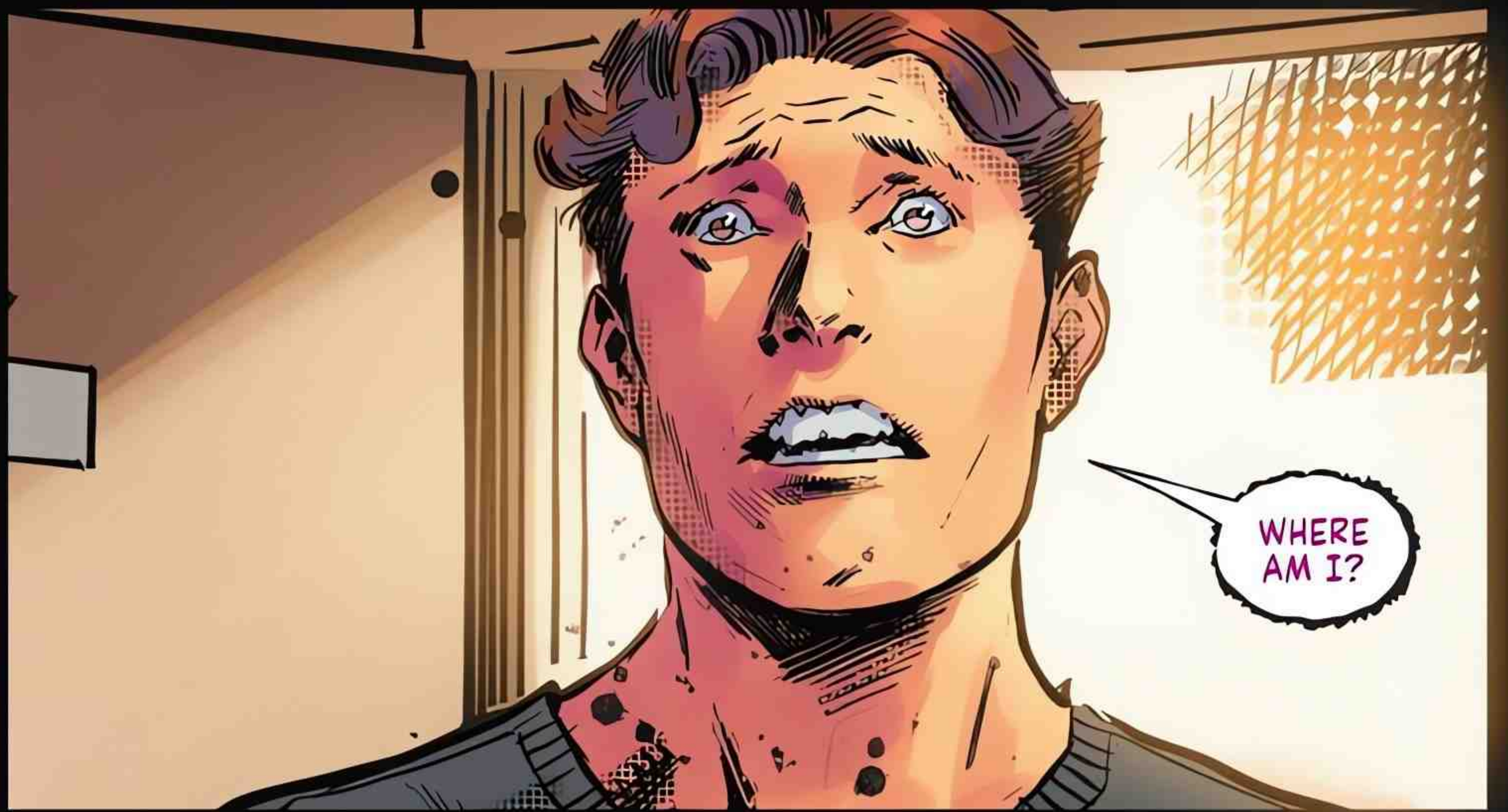
NO MORE  
WATCHING  
THE LIVING. I NEED  
TO BE THE STAR  
AGAIN.

DON'T  
YOU HEAR  
IT?



THEY'RE  
CHEERING FOR  
ME...

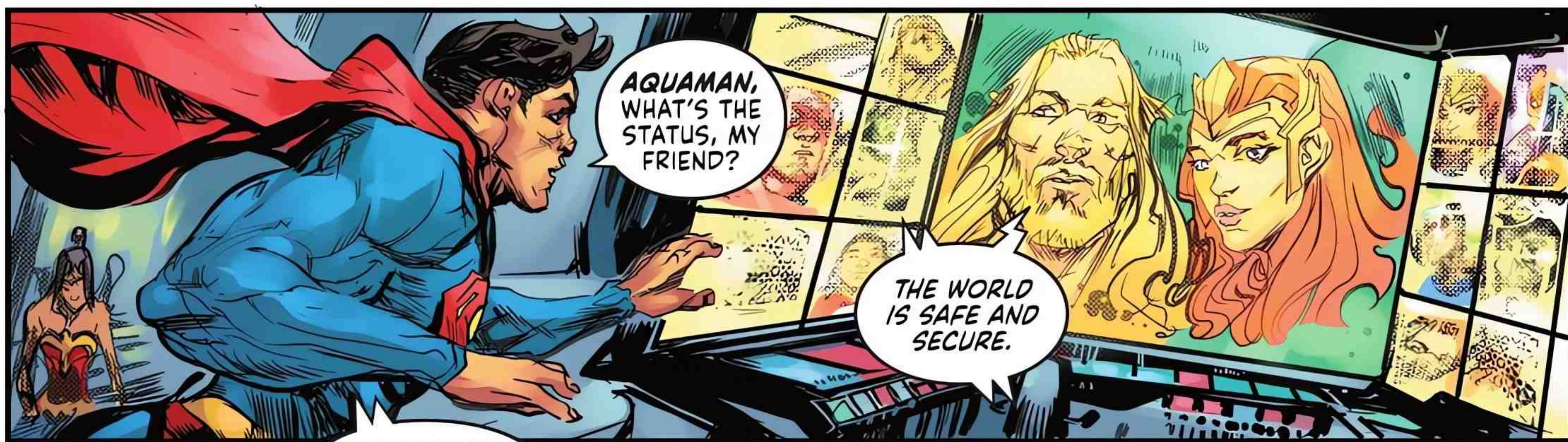




















 "DEADMAN POSSESSED BATMAN FOR TOO LONG."

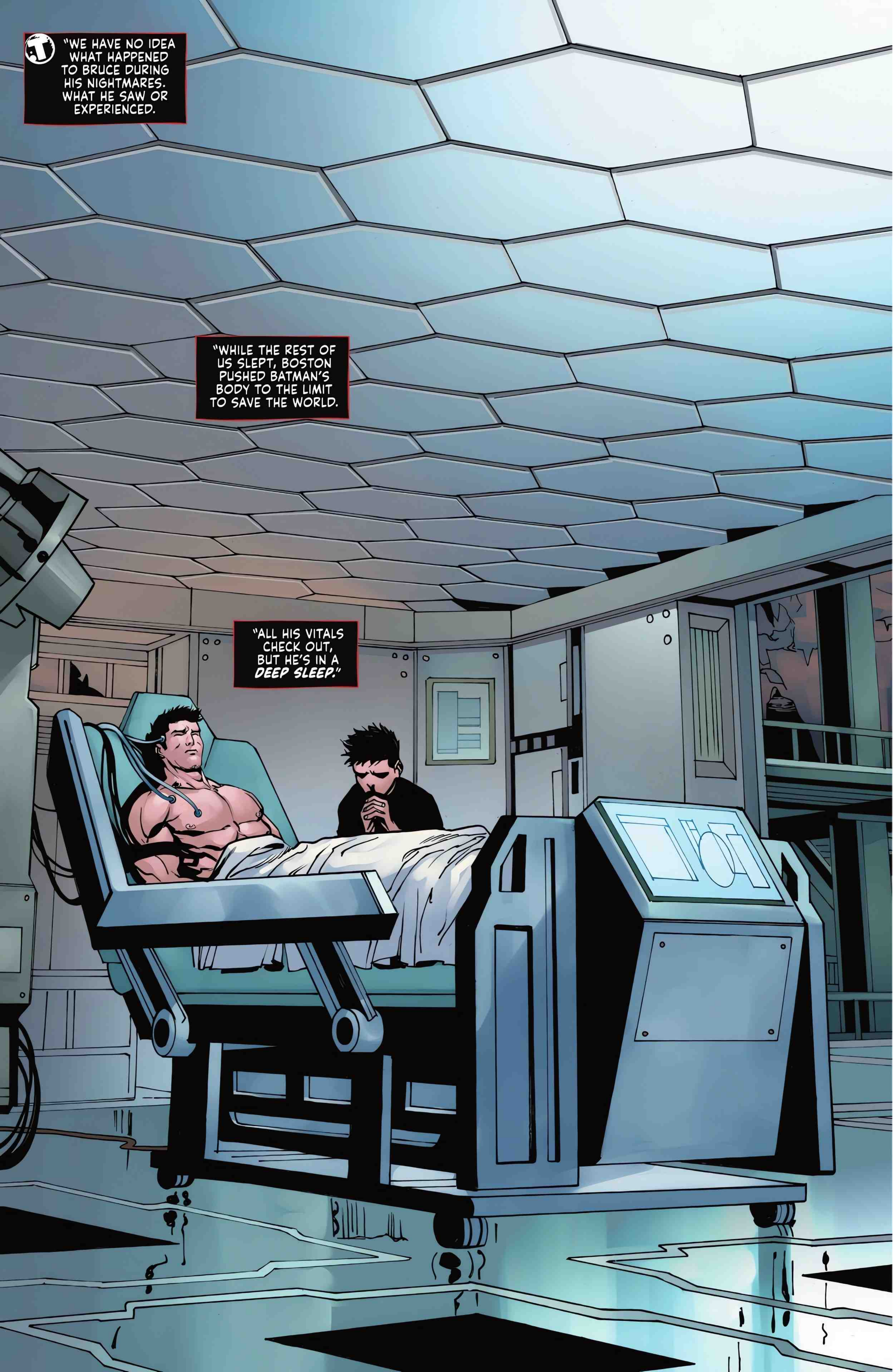




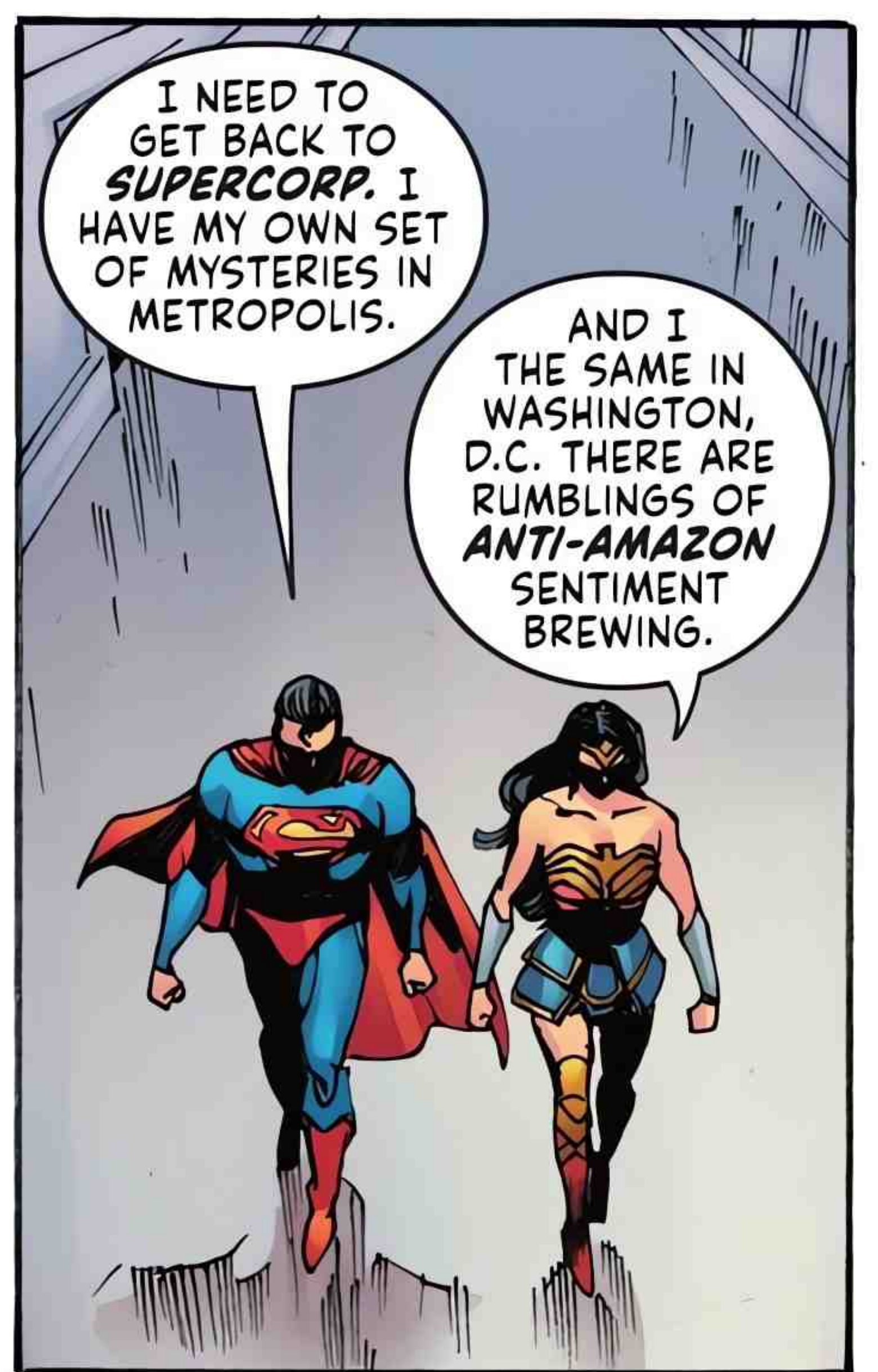
"WE HAVE NO IDEA  
WHAT HAPPENED  
TO BRUCE DURING  
HIS NIGHTMARES.  
WHAT HE SAW OR  
EXPERIENCED.

"WHILE THE REST OF  
US SLEPT, BOSTON  
PUSHED BATMAN'S  
BODY TO THE LIMIT  
TO SAVE THE WORLD.

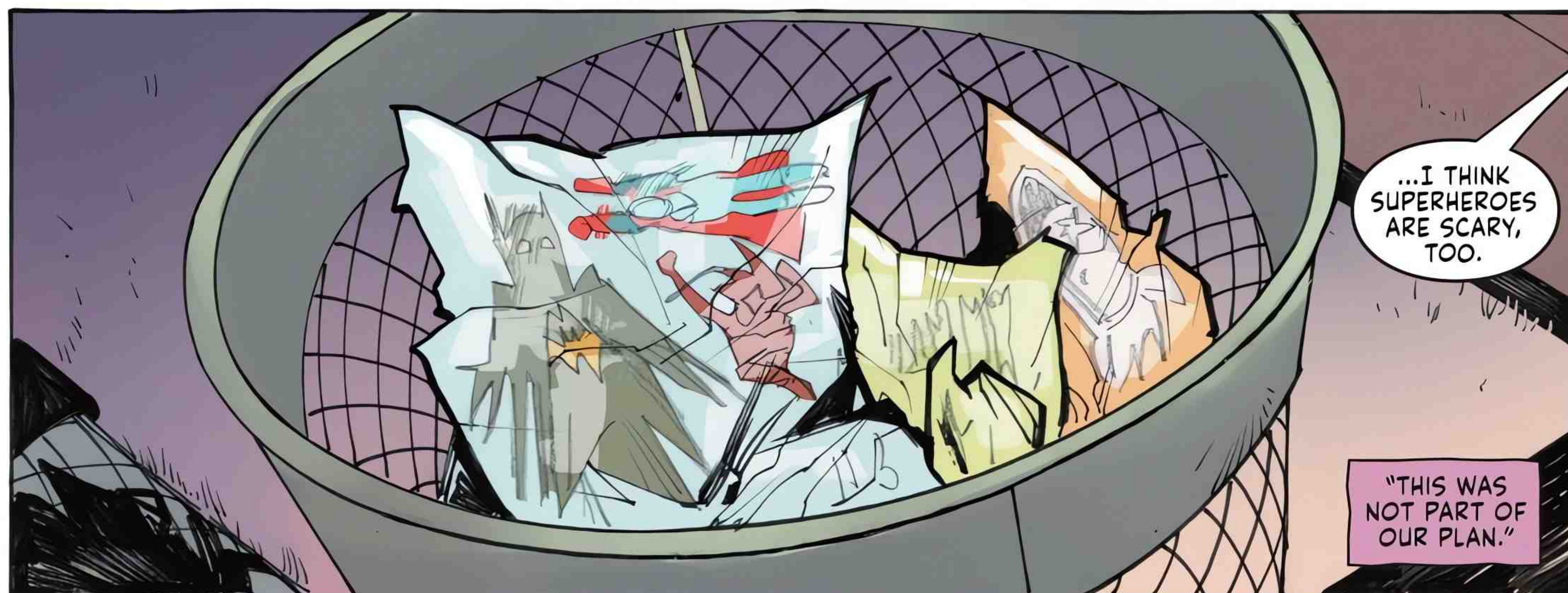
"ALL HIS VITALS  
CHECK OUT,  
BUT HE'S IN A  
*DEEP SLEEP.*"







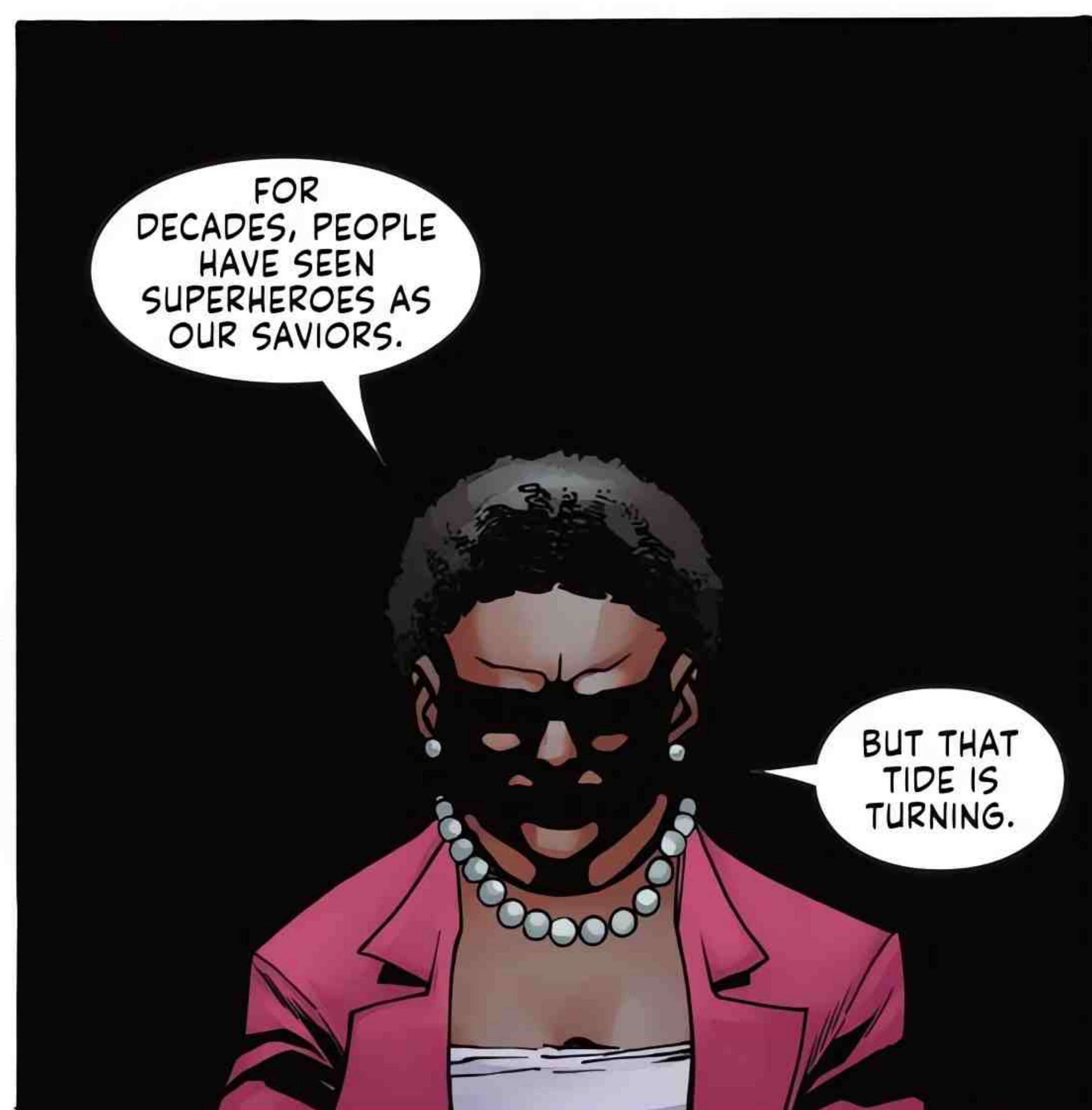








BUT HAS  
HELPED  
ACCELERATE  
IT.



FOR  
DECADES, PEOPLE  
HAVE SEEN  
SUPERHEROES AS  
OUR SAVIORS.

BUT THAT  
TIDE IS  
TURNING.

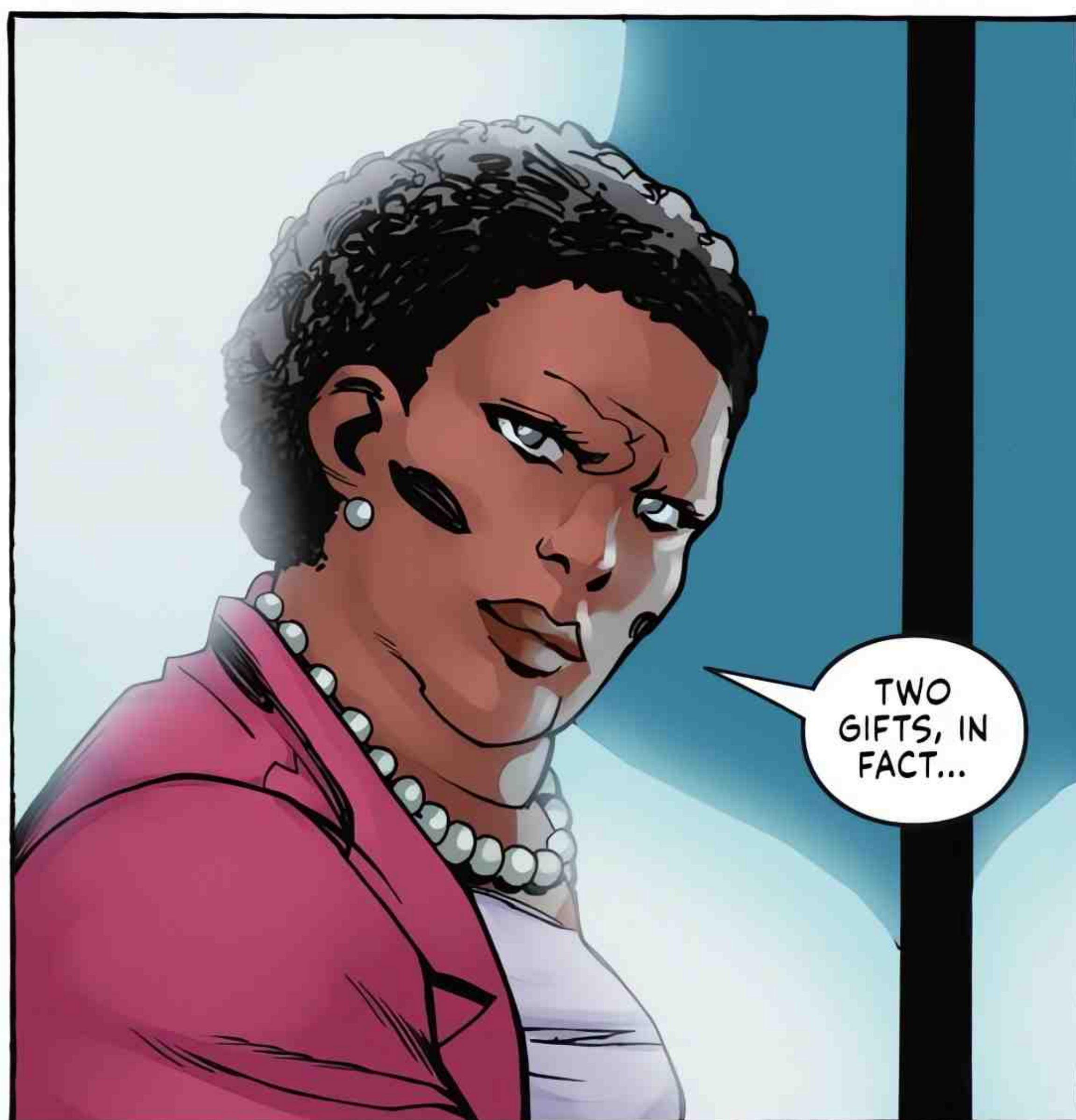


"THE PUBLIC ARE  
SLOWLY REALIZING  
THE HEROES ARE  
**DANGEROUS.**"

"A THREAT TO  
OUR SAFETY."



INSOMNIA  
GAVE US A  
**GIFT.**



TWO  
GIFTS, IN  
FACT...





WE FOUND THE  
HELMET OF HATE  
ON LAZARUS  
ISLAND.

AND  
**BRIGHT** MANAGED  
TO STEAL THE  
NIGHTMARE STONE  
DURING THE  
CHAOS.



BOTH NEED THE  
RIGHT PERSON TO  
TAKE ON THE  
RESPONSIBILITY.

ARE  
YOU SURE  
**YOU'RE** THAT  
PERSON?



YOUR  
FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS ARE GOING  
TO BE VERY...**HURT**  
IF YOU CHOOSE  
THIS.

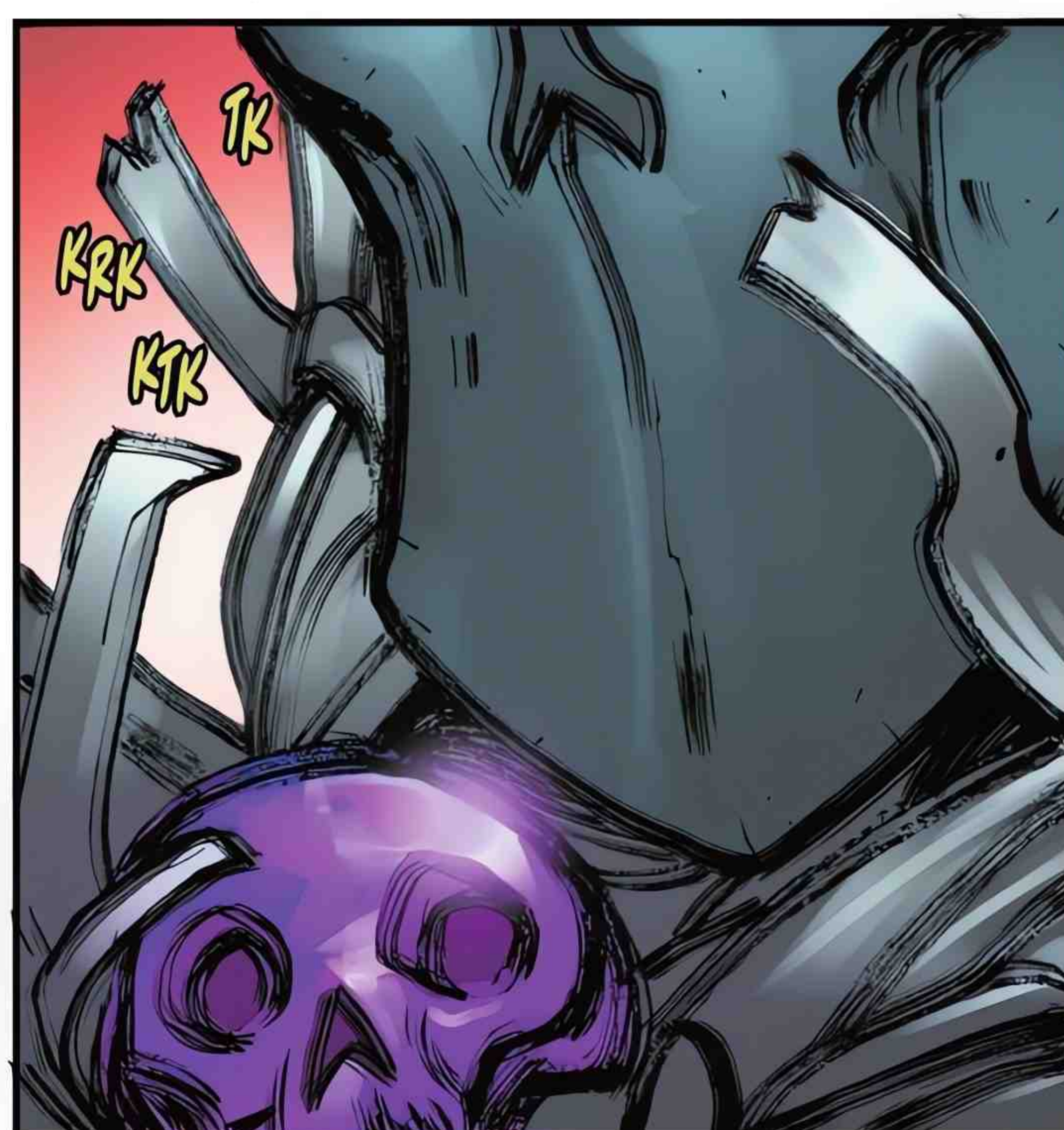
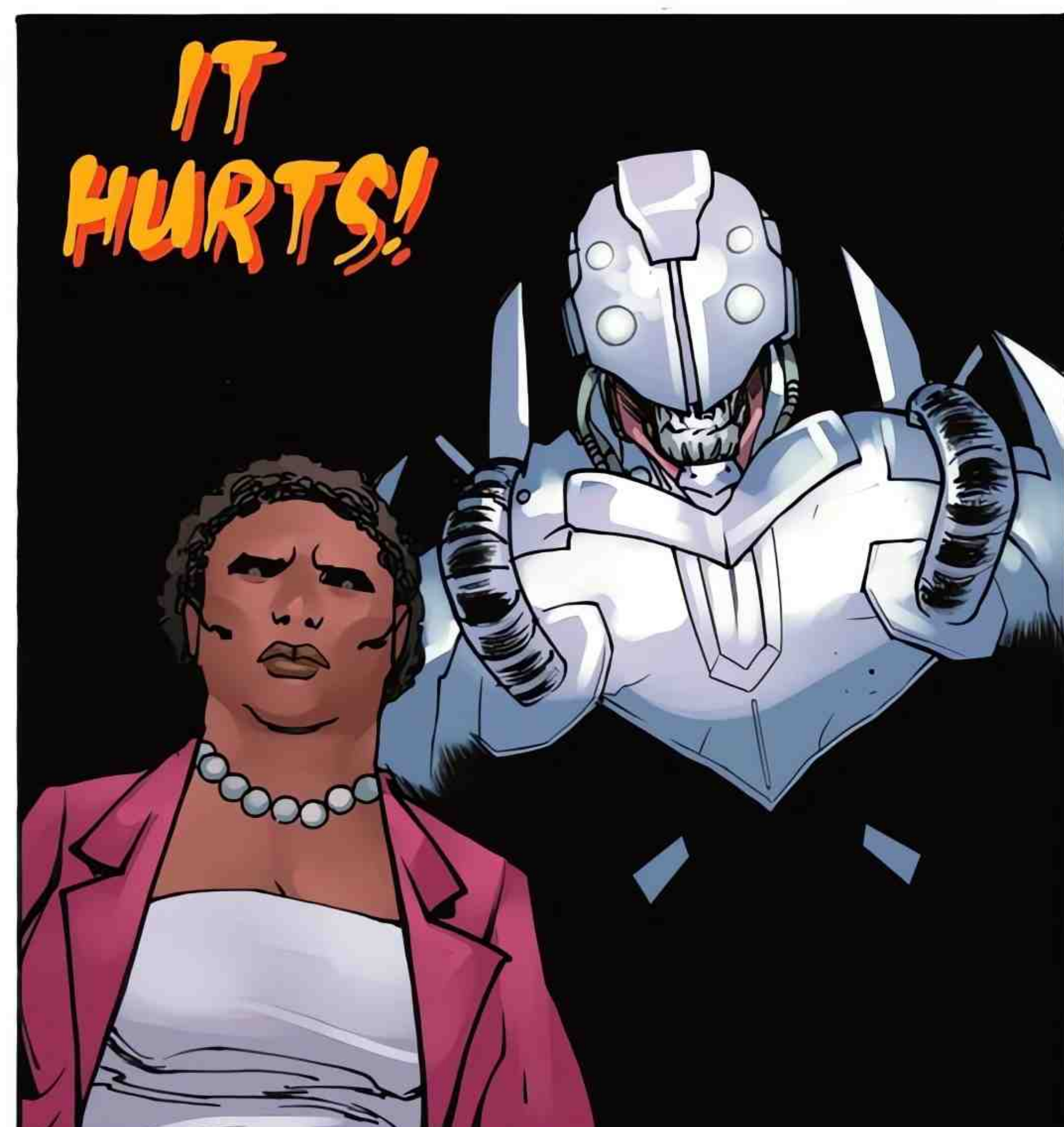
I NEED  
THEM TO SEE THAT  
THEY CAN'T JUST USE  
**SMILES** TO SOLVE  
ALL OUR PROBLEMS.  
THAT'S NOT  
REAL.



THEN  
BE MY  
GUEST.

TAKE  
WHAT IS  
YOURS.







# DOCTOR HATE.



PHASE  
TWO  
BEGINS.

THE JUSTICE  
LEAGUE ARE  
FEARED BY THE  
WORLD.

WHICH  
MEANS YOUR  
TARGET  
IS...



...THE  
TITANS.

TO BE CONTINUED IN  
**BEAST  
WORLD**  
IN NOVEMBER 2023!





DAWN OF DC

A  
hard-boiled  
tale  
debuting in  
**AUGUST**

# THE PENGUIN

REVENGE IS FOR THE BIRDS!

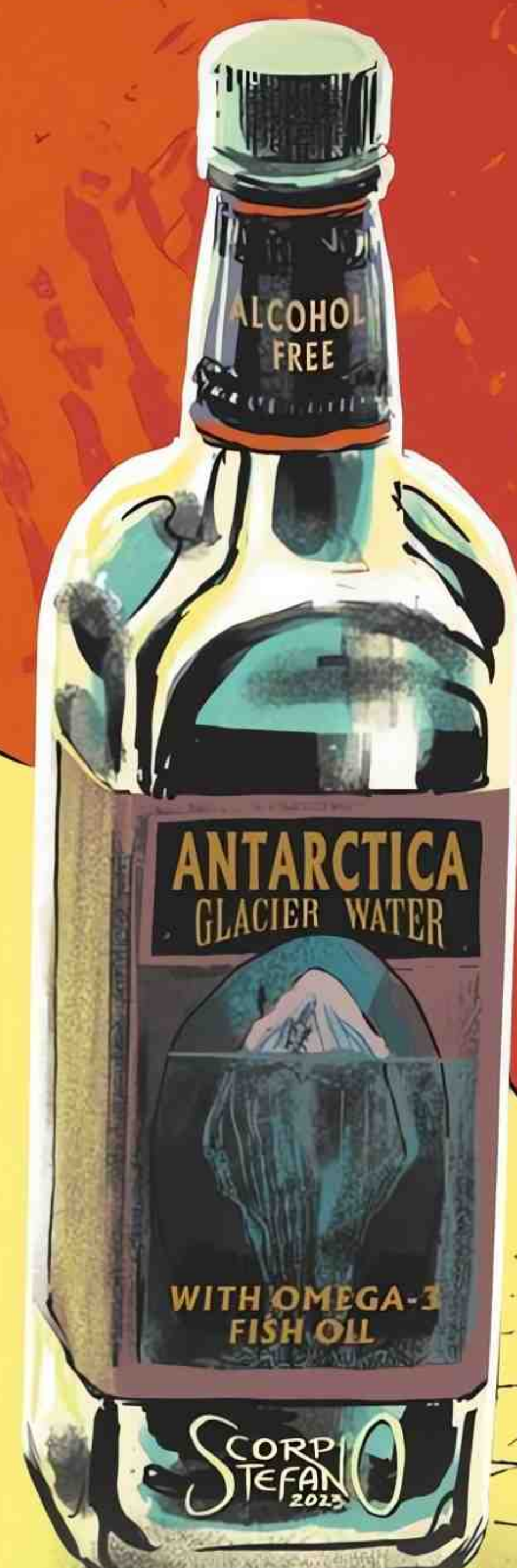
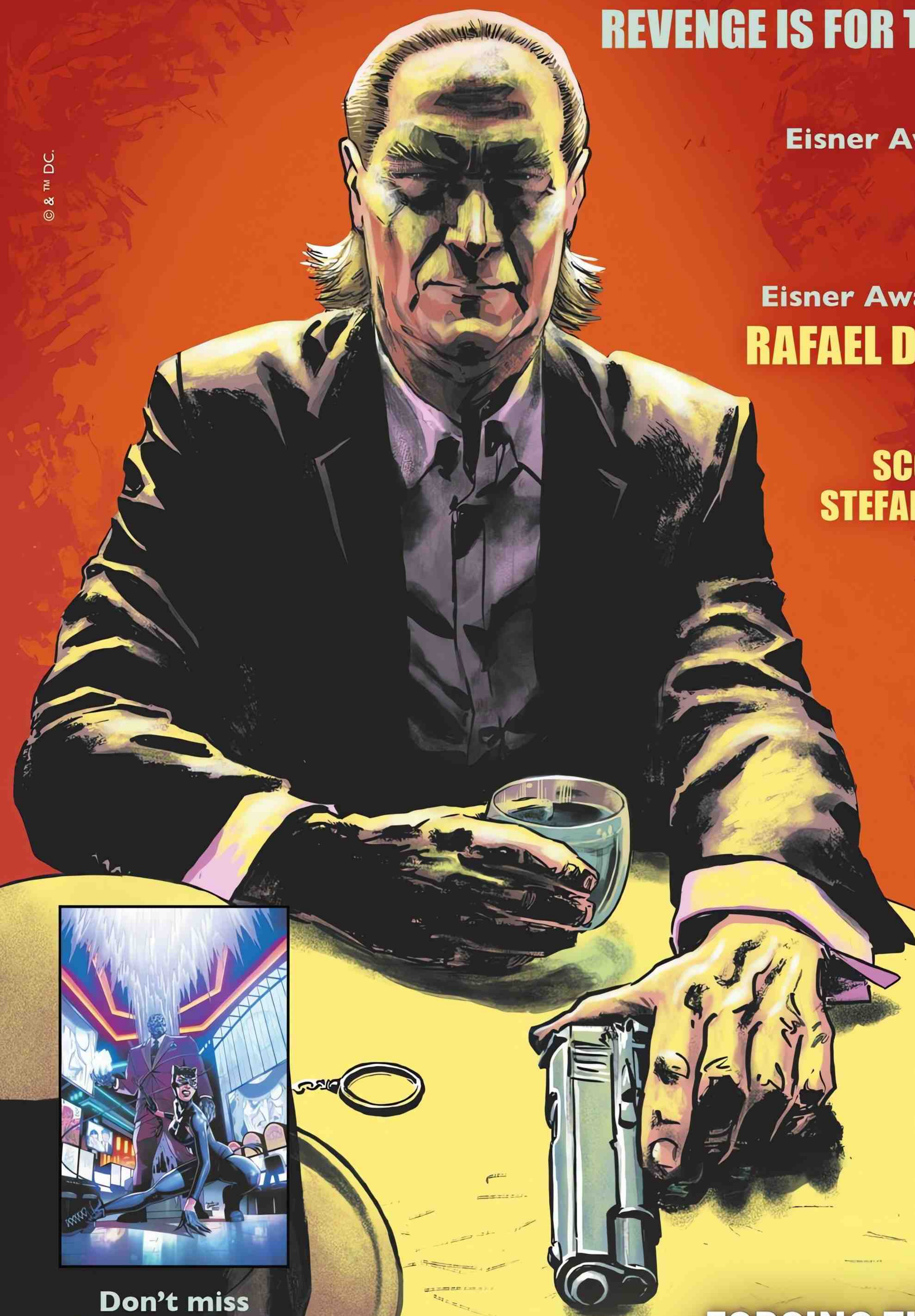
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Don't miss  
**The Penguin #0**  
prelude one-shot!

FORGING THE FUTURE  
ONE VILLAIN AT A TIME



**DC NATION** SPOTLIGHT ON

**DAWN OF DC**

**BATMAN/CATWOMAN**  
**THE GOTHAM WAR**

**THE BAT AND THE CAT COLLIDE WITH  
THE SOUL OF THEIR CITY AT STAKE!**

**AUGUST**

- ***Batman/Catwoman:  
The Gotham War -  
Battle Lines #1***

**SEPTEMBER**

- ***Batman #137***
- ***Catwoman #57***
- ***Batman/Catwoman:  
The Gotham War:  
Red Hood #1***

**OCTOBER**

- ***Batman #138***
- ***Catwoman #58***
- ***Batman/Catwoman:  
The Gotham War:  
Red Hood #2***
- ***Batman/Catwoman:  
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